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HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT BADLY DAMAGED IN BLITZ

VICHY SELL-OUT TO JAPAN

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
It is reliably learned in London that Indo-China is now a virtual Japanese dependency as a result of the economic treaty signed on May 6 and the political treaty of May 9, supplementing the treaty of September 23, against which Washington protested.

Vichy is pledged not to participate in any agreement contrary to Japanese exploitation.

Chief Japanese products are exempted from customs duties, Japanese industry is admitted on an equal basis and Japanese investments are on the same footing as French, including agricultural and mining.

PERIODIC INDUSTRIAL CONFERENCES, IN WHICH JAPAN HAS DECIDING CONTROL, WILL REGULATE ECONOMIC QUESTIONS, WHILE FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS HENCEFORTH WILL BE CARRIED OUT IN YEN.

German technical missions are hurrying what is a potential Axis arsenal. Fifty experts left Berlin for Indo-China on May 8.—International News Service.

ROOSEVELT TO DECLARE POLICY?

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
Washington is buzzing with reports that President Roosevelt will make one of the year's most momentous foreign policy pronouncements at the Pan-American Union meeting on Wednesday night.

Those who have seen the President's draft speech declare it will deal with matters "far more important than the convoy question." The speech, which will be delivered at 11 p.m. (Washington time), will be broadcast on short wave to Europe and Latin-America.—International News Service.

NAZI TROOPS ARRIVE IN SYRIA

French quarters in London state that some German troops from the Dodecanese have landed in Syria.—International News Service.

HITLER TO MEET STALIN ON BLACK SEA?

According to the London "Sunday Despatch" yesterday Hitler and Stalin will meet on board a ship in the Black Sea in a few weeks with Hitler threatening a German attack on the Ukraine unless he gets Russian cooperation.

Stalin is believed to be ready to appease Hitler, the newspaper adds.—International News Service.

HITLER CHOOSES BAD TIME

It is practically unknown in the military history of Egypt for campaigns to be conducted during the months of May, June and July, and even August.

A HEAT RECORD WAS SET UP ON SATURDAY IN NORTH AFRICA OF FROM 118 TO 122 DEGREES FAHRENHEIT.

Though limits are imposed by the heat, the British troops are continuing to harass the enemy.

A large party of Italians working near the perimeter of the Tobruk area under the protection of armoured fighting vehicles were attacked by British troops and Bren-gun carriers.

Before the Italian armoured vehicles could start their engines their working party had been machine-gunned and numbers killed, wounded and taken prisoner.

The morale of the Italians in Abyssinia is greatly affected by the constant strafing and the activity of Patriot forces.—Reuter.

ITALIANS OCCUPY SOME ISLANDS

An Italian communique states that in the Aegean Sea Italian troops have occupied the isles of Zea, Syphonos, Syria and Micono, thus completing the occupation of the Cyclades Archipelago.—Reuter.

BUDAPEST TALE FACTORY ACTIVE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
Budapest, main distributing centre for German propaganda abroad, is still putting out reports that large numbers of German troops are arriving in Iraq.—International News Service.

Westminster Abbey And British Museum Also Hit

IT WAS DISCLOSED IN LONDON LAST NIGHT THAT THE HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT, WESTMINSTER ABBEY AND THE BRITISH MUSEUM WERE DAMAGED IN SATURDAY NIGHT'S FIRE RAID ON LONDON.

The world-famed clock "Big Ben," whose chimes have been heard in all corners of the earth through the B.B.C., was also hit. High explosives and incendiaries fell on all three places, while Westminster Abbey, opposite, was also set on fire.

In the House of Commons the debating chamber has been wrecked, and it is feared it can never be used again until it has been rebuilt.

In the House of Lords, the superintendent is understood to have been killed while assisting fire fighters' operations, and three others were killed.

Other members of the staff who worked right through the night, extinguishing flames and salvaging valuable records and relics, had remarkable escapes when bombs fell.

Some bombs also smashed the famous Members' Lobby which had already been hit in previous raids and was shored up by elaborate scaffolding.

What some consider the most magnificent roof in the world, that of Westminster Hall, with its soaring arches and sweeping beams of oak, was pierced by bombs and damage done to the interior.

The hall was started by William Rufus in 1018. It is thought to be the largest hall in the world with a roof unsupported by pillars.

Big Ben Hit

"Big Ben," although hit by high explosive, is still chiming the strokes. Only slight damage was done to part of the masonry just above the clock.

The Deanery of Westminster Abbey, which is one of the best examples of a medieval house in England, has been destroyed.

THE FABRICS OF THE ABBEY IS INTACT, THOUGH THE ROOF OF THE LOWER SQUARE TOWER OF THE CENTRE OF THE BUILDING HAS FALLEN IN.

The most historic parts of the Abbey were uninjured, including the part where the Royal tombs are situated.

"Most of the archives, usually the important part of abbey buildings, have survived," said an architect. "The fact that the 10th century roof has been destroyed is an irreparable thing, although the Abbey is now open to the public."

British Museum

The British Museum was set alight by a shower of incendiaries which burnt through the roof and set fire to the back of the building.

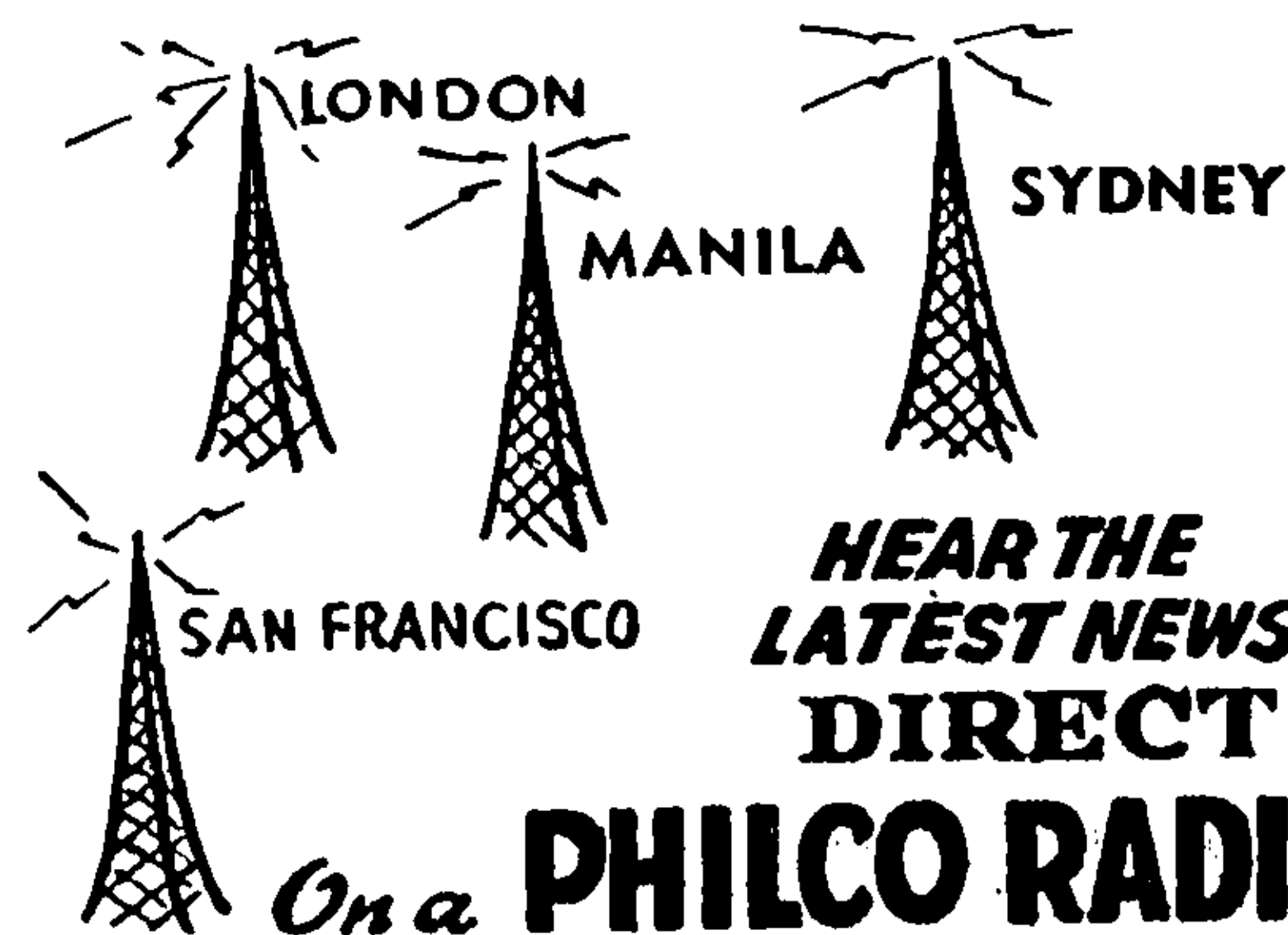
Fire watchers on the roof dealt with many incendiaries but others burnt through before they could be tackled.

Fortunately most of the treasures had been removed to safety and damage was comparatively light.—Reuter.

DE BRINON THREAT TO U.S.

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

FERNAND DE BRINON, PARIS REPRESENTATIVE OF THE VICHY GOVERNMENT, ANNOUNCED, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL GERMAN NEWS AGENCY, THAT THE FRENCH NAVY WILL PROTECT FRENCH POSSESSIONS, ESPECIALLY DAKAR, "AGAINST POSSIBLE UNITED STATES AGGRESSION, AND, SHOULD THE UNITED STATES ENTER THE WAR, EUROPE WILL HAVE TO ORGANISE A COMMON DEFENCE." — INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE.



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REALISTIC ARMY MANOEUVRES

German Panzer Division Hurlled Into The Sea Great New Tanks In Action On Salisbury Plain

(By Reuter's Special Correspondent With The Southern Command)

BRITISH HEAVY TANKS, ROLLING IN HUNDREDS ACROSS SALISBURY PLAIN, SWEEPED "A GERMAN PANZER DIVISION" INTO THE SEA AND RELENTLESSLY ROLLED UP AN ENEMY INVADING FORCE.

That is what happened during a four-day exercise in which one of Britain's armoured divisions and 50,000 troops have just taken part.

In theory, at any rate, all the invading force was wiped out, largely thanks to a flanking movement undertaken by British tanks whose commander, using the same tactics so successful in Libya, gave the enemy no rest but sat on top of them mile after mile as they made their withdrawal.

To make the exercise as realistic as possible famous British cavalry regiments, now mechanised, played the part of a panzer division, basing its operations on what is known of Nazi methods.

Lt.-Gen. Alexander, G.O.C., Southern Command, told me the whole exercise was designed to test how speedily and effectively reserve mobile troops can be brought into battle.

A full infantry division was called in from headquarters seven hours after the German "landing." By dawn their advance units were contacting the enemy and by eleven o'clock in the morning two days later the invaders were vanquished.

Mobile Radio

Army Cooperation planes, hundreds of mobile radio cars, despatch riders and field telephones, all were utilised for communications, whose speed and accuracy were astonishing.

When a motor-cyclist was captured with a clue showing where the German headquarters was, it was only a matter of minutes before bombers were strafing the place.

General Sir Alan Brooke, G.O.C., Home Forces, toured the battle area, as did Major-Gen. Martel, Commanding the Royal Armoured Corps.

I RODE IN ONE OF THE LATEST HEAVY TANKS NOW MASS PRODUCED, WHICH INSIDE IS AN INFERNO OF NOISE, BUT FROM WITHOUT LOOKS AS SMOOTH AND SINISTER AS A BATTLE-CRUISER. — REUTER.

WOMAN INJURED IN ATTACK ON JUNK

TSUI TSAT, 39, FISHERMAN, HAS INFORMED THE POLICE THAT WHILE SAILING ON BOARD A FISHING BOAT OFF MIRS BAY, ABOUT THREE MILES SOUTH-WEST OF NAM O, ON FRIDAY AFTERNOON, HE WAS ATTACKED BY A PARTY OF ARMED ROBBERS ON BOARD A LARGE JUNK. The robbers opened fire on his junk, and wounded his wife, So Sze-mui, 40. The robbers' boat came alongside and removed a cargo of salt fish.

He arrived early Saturday morning in Tai-po, and his wife was treated in Tai-po Public Dispensary, with injuries to her left thigh.

GEN. SIKORSKI FLIES ATLANTIC IN NEW BOMBER

General Sikorski, the Polish Prime Minister, flew back to Britain from the United States on Saturday in one of the American-made bombers which are regularly ferried across the Atlantic to Britain.—Reuter.

Germans Call It Reprisal

A German High Command communique says the German raid on London on Saturday night was a reprisal for the British bombing of "residential quarters" of various German towns, including Berlin, during the last few nights.

The communique says a "fairly strong enemy force" bombed Hamburg on Saturday night, causing numerous fires and much destruction by high explosive and incendiary bombs. There were dead and injured among the civilian population.

"A few planes succeeded in reaching the outskirts of Berlin. Night fighters shot down eight British planes."

Referring to North Africa, the Nazi communique says that in the Tobruk area military operations have been restricted to artillery activity on both sides.—Reuter.

CANNOT WAIT TILL WAR ENDS

The Archbishop of Canterbury, addressing the second Sword of the Spirit meeting in London yesterday, said: "The first aim of this tremendous war we are now engaged in is the destruction of this powerful and evil force and the liberation of nations which are now held in bondage."

"It is unthinkable that after the war men should not set themselves to conceive an order of civilisation better than that which is now being destroyed before their eyes."

"We cannot and dare not wait until the war is over. It will help us in the immediate struggle if we can see beyond the distress and darkness some promise of the coming of a better day."

It was plain that men had lost their way and they had trusted in themselves and neglected God, and the wrong use of science and machines had subordinated man to the machine. — Reuter.

U.S. BANS ITALIAN "CHARITIES"

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The State Department has revoked the permits and barred the further activities of two Italian organisations soliciting funds in the United States.

The Federation of Italian World War Veterans in the U.S.A., Incorporated, New York, and the Ladies Auxiliary Providence branch of the Federation of Italian World War Veterans in the United States, are the bodies concerned.

The Department says: "The two bodies are closely identified with the Italian Government and must be regarded as organisations acting for or on behalf of that Government." — International News Service.

NEW JAPANESE NAVAL CHIEF

Rear-Admiral Kumelchi Hiraoka has been appointed commander of Japanese naval forces in the Shanghai area, succeeding Rear-Admiral Kobayashi, who returned to Tokyo yesterday to serve on the Naval Ministry.—Reuter.



GRIM TOKEN. Enthusiasts driving nails in Hitler's coffin. A picture in connection with Croydon's War Weapons Week. — (Copyright, Fox.)

UNIT WITHOUT PRIVATES

Canadian Military Police, most of them drawn from the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, are playing an important part in manoeuvres which the Canadian Army are carrying out in preparation for the defence of Britain against invasion.

Setting out in advance on motor-cycles, military police erect specially designed signs and dimmed lights at all major intersections where they maintain traffic control posts night and day.

The security and mobility of thousands of troops and hundreds of vehicles may depend upon the efficiency of their control.

In actual operations the military police must be frontline troops, moving ahead of the main formations, plotting the way and seeing that units are guided to the right locations.

They are also responsible for taking charge of prisoners of war.

The Canadian military police company now in England is completely self-contained and carries its own food, petrol, ammunition blankets and other equipment.

It is the only unit in the Canadian Army which has no privates. Every man has at least one stripe.—British Wireless.

FIVE-YEAR PLAN FOR WOOL

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

A five-year-plan for increasing wool production in North-West China is being set in motion by the Ministry of Economics in Chungking.

The aim is 420,000 piculs of wool annually.—Our Own Correspondent.

HERO'S BODY 'LUGGAGE'

The Air Minister's attention is being drawn to the case of a dead airman's mother who had to wait seven hours at a London terminus to receive her son's body.

The body, sent from the North of England eventually arrived on a goods train.

"His coffin might have been just another piece of luggage," the airman's mother said. "There was not a flower, no escort, and not until the undertaker I had engaged produced a Union Jack, was the coffin draped with the flag of the country for which my son died."

"The callousness of it all horrified me."

"At the crematorium there was a wreath from the officer commanding, the officers and aircraftmen of the unit, and I appreciated that."

"But the circumstances of my dead son's journey to London and the ordeal I had to undergo at the station are something which I am determined no mother must ever go through again."

The airman—a fighter pilot—was killed on active service but not until several days later did the mother receive any letter of condolence.

A telegram told the parents the coffin would arrive at 6.15 a.m. When the train came in the coffin was not there, and it was learned that it had been sent on a goods train.

For five harrowing hours the mother waited and then went away on the assurance that the train would arrive at 2 o'clock.

Shortly before two the tragic figure was back on the platform, but she had nearly two hours more to wait before the train steamed in with a miscellaneous cargo including livestock.

JOY-RIDE IN AMBULANCE

A fifteen-year-old boy admitted at Lambeth Juvenile Court that he took an ambulance from a garage where he had been employed, drove it round Brixton until it ran out of petrol, and then went to garages trying to get petrol to return. He was ordered to pay 5s.

PLAN TO CLOSE UP PHILIPPINE LEAKAGE

Blockade Measure To Be Extended

AS A NATIONAL defence measure the U.S. War Department will shortly ask Congress for legislation authorising the application of the export licensing control system to the Philippines to prevent the shipment of chrome, manganese, hemp and coconut oil to Germany and to curb shipments to Russia and Japan.

Considerable quantities of these supplies are going to Vladivostok, and the U.S. Government is convinced most of them reach Germany.

As soon as the system is applied, the Government will clamp down a very strict control on all important exports and will not grant licences for any potential war supplies which there is reason to believe are intended for Germany.

Russian and Japanese licences will be granted strictly on a horse-trading basis. If Russia and Japan periodically grant the United States economic and political favours, limited supplies will be released.

Britain has long been eager to plug this leak in the blockade, and the State Department in Washington collaborated with the War Department in reaching the decision.

—International News Service

DANGER TO DEFENCE OF PANAMA

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

On the ground that they must be considered a danger to the defence of the Panama Canal, a far-reaching campaign to wipe out German and Italian air-line companies from North and South America has been started by the United States, according to Washington reports.

Efforts are being made to replace Axis airline companies by American companies and American capital.

It is stated that the Under-Secretary of State, Mr. Sumner Welles, has the handling of the matter, and that so far, Colombia and Peru, have decided to withdraw licences for German airline companies to operate, while three other countries are expected to do likewise.

South American pilots will be given all facilities to study in the United States.—International News Service.

CAROL IN BERMUDA

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Ex-King Carol of Rumania and Madame Lupescu have found a haven in the New World.

They arrived at Hamilton (Bermuda) on Saturday in the American liner "Excambion," which steamed into harbour with the Rumanian flag, flying from the bow.

Hundreds of Bermudans, as well as officials, greeted Carol.—International News Service.

YELLOW RIVER FIGHTING

Field despatches from southern Shansi province reveal heavy fighting on the north bank of the Yellow River, where large Japanese forces are launching a big drive in several columns on Chinese forces holding out in the Chungtao Mountains.

Much importance is attached to the outcome of the battle since the Japanese are apparently making a determined attempt to oust the Chinese from the mountains, thereby dominating the north bank of the Yellow River, which would enable the Japanese either to march westward towards Sian, capital of Shansi province, or push southwards across the river to cut the Lunghai Railway in the vicinity of Loyang.

It is learned that in addition large Chinese forces are concentrated within the Chungtao Mountains.

Chinese forces are also stationed on the south bank of the Yellow River to meet any eventuality.—Reuter.

RESCUER TARZAN— FIREMAN

Several women were rescued from a blazing house by a fireman who was driven by flames from his burning fire escape.

"He had to hang on to a parapet with a woman in his arms—like Tarzan of the Apes—while his comrades put out the fire on the escape," said an eyewitness.

"If ever a man deserved half a dozen George Medals, he does."

Charles Simkovits, aged forty-five, was burned to death in the blaze. It occurred at a five-storey apartment building at Amphill-square, London, N.W.

Simkovits was a Yugoslav and a tailor. He was unmarried and lived alone in a back room on the top floor of the house.

Mrs. Winifred Upton, twenty-eight, and her one-year-old son, Patrick John Upton, Mrs. Hilda Neale, twenty-nine, and Mrs. Helen Woodward were rescued by



El Adem was the largest aerodrome in Libya. Thanks to the bombing by the Royal Air Force the remains of more than 87 Italian aeroplanes were found unserviceable when the British took the place. Photo shows the results of the Royal Air Force bombing on one of the workshops at El Adem. (Copyright, Fox).

HITLER RUNNING INTO DIPLOMATIC HITCHES

NEW DIPLOMATIC SUCCESSES CONFIDENTLY ANTICIPATED BY BERLIN HAVE NOT MATERIALISED, ACCORDING TO REPORTS FROM THE NAZI CAPITAL RECEIVED IN ZURICH YESTERDAY.

"A clear decision" by Vichy has not yet been taken on the resumption of collaboration along the lines desired by Germany, says the Berlin correspondent of the "Basler Nachrichten."

The return to Turkey of the German Ambassador, Franz von Papen, is considered a sign that Turkey developments are far from being a fait accompli, as recently hinted by the "Berliner Boersen Zeitung," organ of the Wilhelmstrasse.

THE NEW APPOINTMENTS IN SPAIN HAVE BEEN REGARDED AS A SIGN THAT THE LATENT OPPOSITION BETWEEN GENERAL FRANCO AND SENOR SUNER, HIS BROTHER-IN-LAW AND FOREIGN MINISTER, OVER SPAIN'S POLICY IS TAKING SHAPE.

The Wilhelmstrasse insists, of course, that General Franco's move is exclusively an internal matter.

Finally, there is also the hitch in the frontier negotiations in Zagreb between Ciano, Italian Foreign Minister, and Pavelitch, head of Germany's puppet state of Croatia, which is reported by the Budapest correspondent of the "Basler Nachrichten."—Reuter.

the fire brigade and taken to hospital suffering from shock.

First Night Indoors

Mrs. Upton's condition was later stated to be serious. It was the first night she had stayed in the house during an Alert.

A woman living in an adjoining flat said that when a fireman brought Mrs. Upton and her baby down the escape their clothes were on fire.

Station Officer Morgan, was burned on the face and hands and he also had to be taken to hospital.

AIR BADGES FOR SCOUTS

If any of our R.A.F. lads make a forced landing they're likely to be met by a small boy who will—

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The knowing youngster will be a member of the newly-formed Air Scout branch of the Boy Scouts.

The Air Scout must learn such information to win one of the three new proficiency badges and the hat badge.

Here are some of the things boys will have to do to earn them: Air Apprentice.—Know how to conduct himself safely when on an aerodrome or near a 'plane; be of practical help to a pilot by indicating wind direction, by picketing, or by using chocks; understand the importance of keeping unauthorized people away from a 'plane; know what constitutes a reasonable landing ground; and name three.

Air Mechanic.—Have a technical knowledge of 'planes and their engines. Make a glider weighing not less than 1lb. which will glide at least 100 yards.

Air Navigator.—Keep a daily record of the weather for two months; understand an air map and compass; plot a route, allowing for a specified angle of drift.

GERMAN WOUNDED IN BALKAN BATTLES

German wounded in Bulgaria number 6,000, and in Rumania 10,000, according to estimates checked by direct evidence, says an Istanbul message to the Independent French Agency in London yesterday quoted by Reuter.

THETIS WIDOWS' CLAIMS

An appeal arising out of the Thetis submarine disaster is expected to be heard in the High Court.

Writs claiming damages have been issued on behalf of the widows of some of the men who died. Mr. H. J. Wallington, K.C., has been briefed. The appeal concerns preliminary points raised. The Thetis sank in Liverpool Bay on June 1, 1939. There were only four survivors of the 103 men on board. The submarine, which was raised and renamed Thunderbolt, has since done good work in the war.

GENERAL MOTORS STRIKE ISSUES

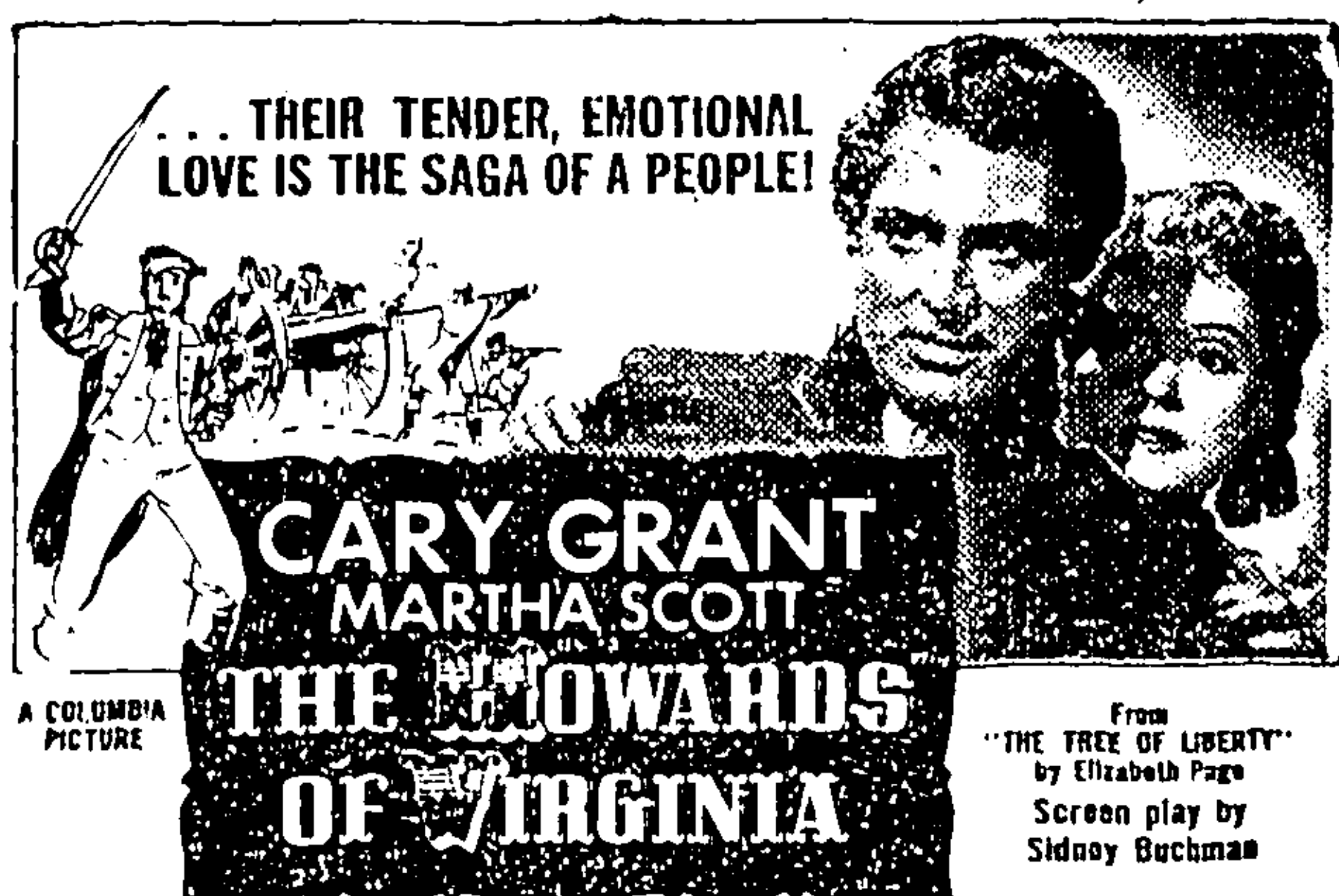
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The negotiations to end the threatened General Motors strike have been postponed till tomorrow. The negotiations are still in the collective bargaining stage.—International News Service.

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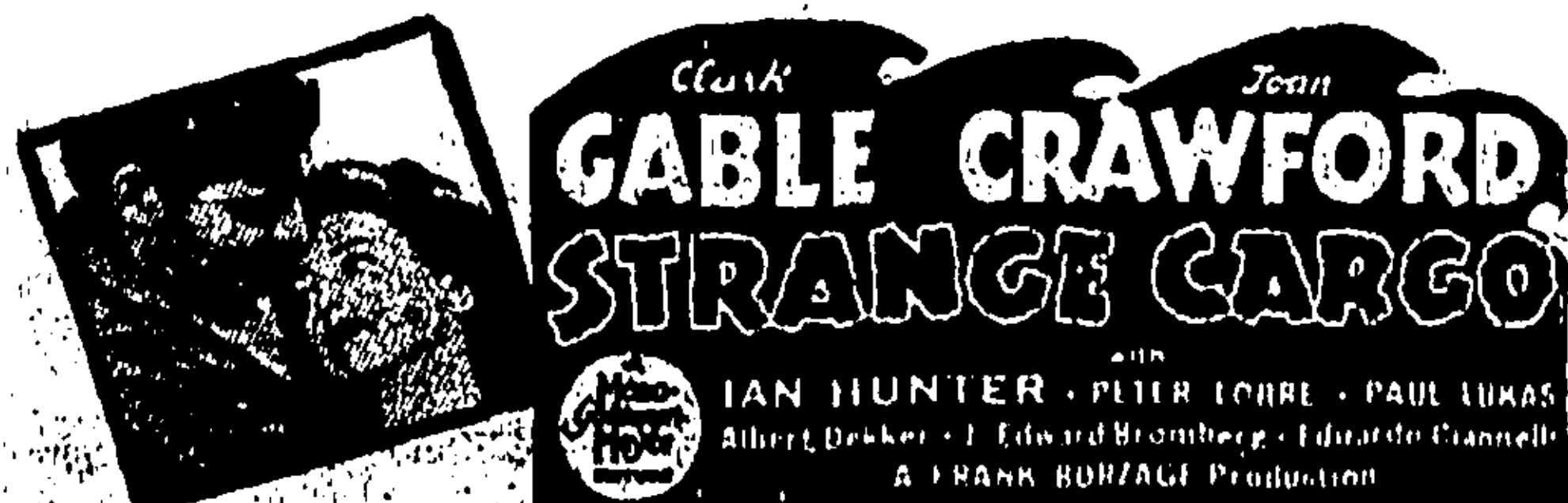
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Mr. Winston Churchill inspecting raid damage during a recent tour of the country. (Copyright, Fox)

IMPERIAL FORCES CLOSING IN ON AMBA ALAGI

WHILE A STRONG South African and Patriot force is marching from the south on Amba Alagi, 9,000-foot high natural fortress in northern Abyssinia, where some 30,000 Italians are estimated to be at bay, British troops slowly but surely are closing in on them from the north.

The British forces are preparing for a determined attack on the fortress, the fall of which is inevitable.

Operations are taking place in the rarified mountain atmosphere in this region, which demands great stamina and endurance on the part of the attacking force.

Indians engaged in an attack on an outlying hill, saw white flags appear on its summit.

ADVANCING TO ACCEPT THE SURRENDER OF THE HEIGHT THEY WERE ALLOWED TO APPROACH WITHIN GRENADE RANGE WHEN THE ITALIANS HURLED SCORES OF BOMBS, CAUSING SOME CASUALTIES AMONG THE INDIANS.

But the Indians continued to advance and successfully took the hill. — Reuter.

INDIAN OCEAN ENCOUNTER

When the German liner "Goburg" and the Norwegian tanker "Ketty Brovig" were intercepted in the Indian Ocean they made off in different directions.

The Australian cruiser Canberra and the New Zealand cruiser Leander immediately shelled and set them on fire.

The crews then abandoned ship and were picked up by the cruisers.

The above details were announced by Mr. W. M. Hughes, Australian Navy Minister, in Sydney yesterday. — Reuter.

SINGAPORE CONFERENCE

MR. CLARENCE GAUSS, NEWLY-APPOINTED UNITED STATES AMBASSADOR TO CHUNGKING ARRIVED IN SHANGHAI THIS MORNING ON BOARD THE "PRESIDENT GARFIELD."

Mr. Gauss was said to have told Japanese newsmen that military and Government officials of the Philippines, Australia, the N.E.I., Burma and Chungking will meet in Singapore soon for an important conference.

He added, however, he did not know whether he would attend it. — Reuter.

CONQUERED BUT NOT SUBDUED

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The Belgian Embassy in Washington declares that the struggle for the liberation of Belgium continues, though the King is a prisoner of war and the country is ruled by a German military governor.

"As in 1914 Belgium is conquered but not subdued." — International News Service.

Offer By Haile Selassie

Emperor Haile Selassie has sent a message to Mr. Churchill expressing gratitude and sympathy at the kindness shown to him by the British people and the support of British armed forces.

Haile Selassie said he was determined to see Ethiopia contribute further to the victory and he asked Mr. Churchill to thank the British forces for the successful Abyssinian campaign.

Mr. Churchill replied expressing the deep and universal satisfaction with which the people of Britain and the Empire heard of the return of the Emperor to his capital. — Reuter.

WHAT NAZI VICTORY WOULD MEAN

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

A U.S. Department of Commerce report predicts that a German victory would compel the United States to surrender some of its Democratic institutions in favour of totalitarian methods.

A triumphant Nazi state in Europe would force America to adopt a national policy of self-sufficiency involving such drastic economic measures as "might seriously affect some of our fundamental political institutions."

The Department warned that the U.S. Government might be impelled, in order to combat the Reich for survival on the world economic front, to engage in international cartel trade methods similar to those of Germany, and indirect opposition to the reciprocal trade policy which is the pillar of President Roosevelt's administration. — International News Service.

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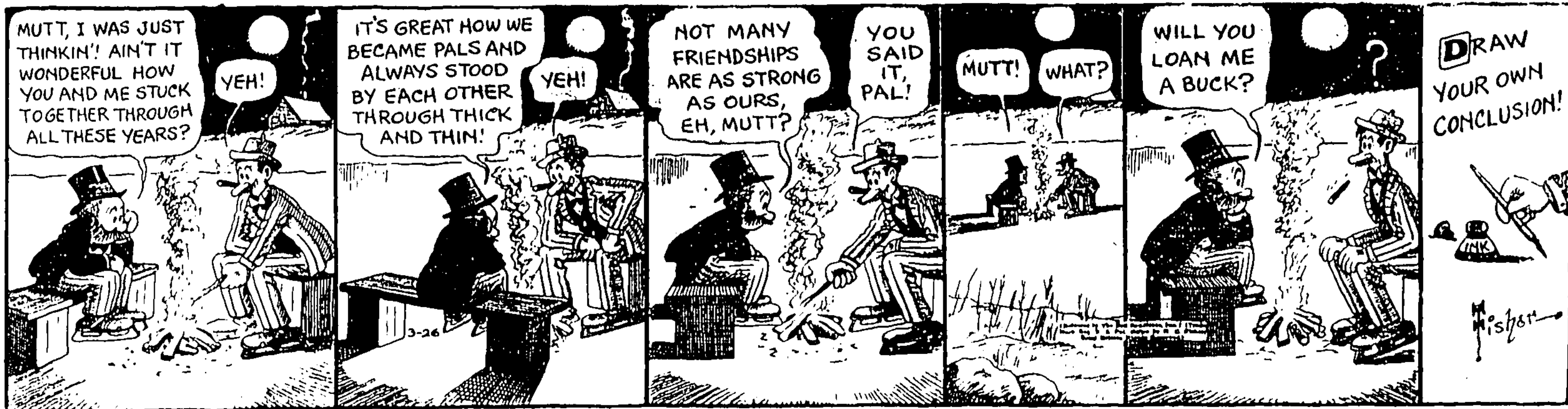
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PLAYS ORGAN AT SHELTERS WHILE BOMBS FALL

BOMBS AND GUNS do not silence Tom Walker's barrel organ. When air-raid sirens scream in the West End he moves his organ to the nearest shelter, parks it outside the entrance and stands there playing for those inside.

This is Tom's way of helping the war effort. He was too badly wounded in the last war to do more. The barrel organ is his means of livelihood.

"Some people are kind of nervous, see," said Tom. "And a bit of music helps to cheer 'em up in the shelter and makes 'em forget their worries."

"The folks seem to appreciate it and the warden, too. Many a time they come out and ask me to go right on playing. So I just try to ease their troubles a bit."

Tom spent two years in a German prison in a salt mine. He still suffers agonies from the effect of wounds kept open for two years by the action of the salt.

Was Bombed Out

"It was hell in there," he told the "Daily Mirror." "Nothing but salt everywhere. Our food

tasted of it. The water we drank tasted of it. Life was just one long thirst."

Only the other day Tom was bombed out of his little East End home.

But not even that misfortune can get him down.

"I just plays myself a tune on the old organ," says he, "and cheers myself up."

BEAVERBROOK'S THANKS

Lord Beaverbrook, Minister of State, has thanked contributors to aircraft funds, which at the end of April totalled £13,000,000.

Of this sum 40 per cent was contributed by the colonies and dominions, 35 per cent by Britain, 15 per cent by India and 10 per cent by the Netherlands colonies. (Reuter.)

ARMY'S CANTEENS TO BE CUT

Army canteens are to be fewer, their hours of opening will be strictly limited, and they must not serve heavy meals.

These are the main points of a plan being considered by the authorities to avoid waste of food.

The problem is to give soldiers comfortable canteens without encouraging consumption of food which would reduce the supplies available for civilians, explained Major-General H. Williams, Director-General of Army Welfare, speaking in London.

We must not make our foods in canteens too lavish or the men will not eat their rations and there will be waste," he said.

New Eating Law

Not long ago there was brought into force the order prohibiting "luxury eating."

It is now an offence, punishable by fine or imprisonment or both, to serve or eat a meal consisting of more than a main dish and a subsidiary dish or two subsidiary dishes.

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NO DEMOB. MUDDLE

(BY A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)
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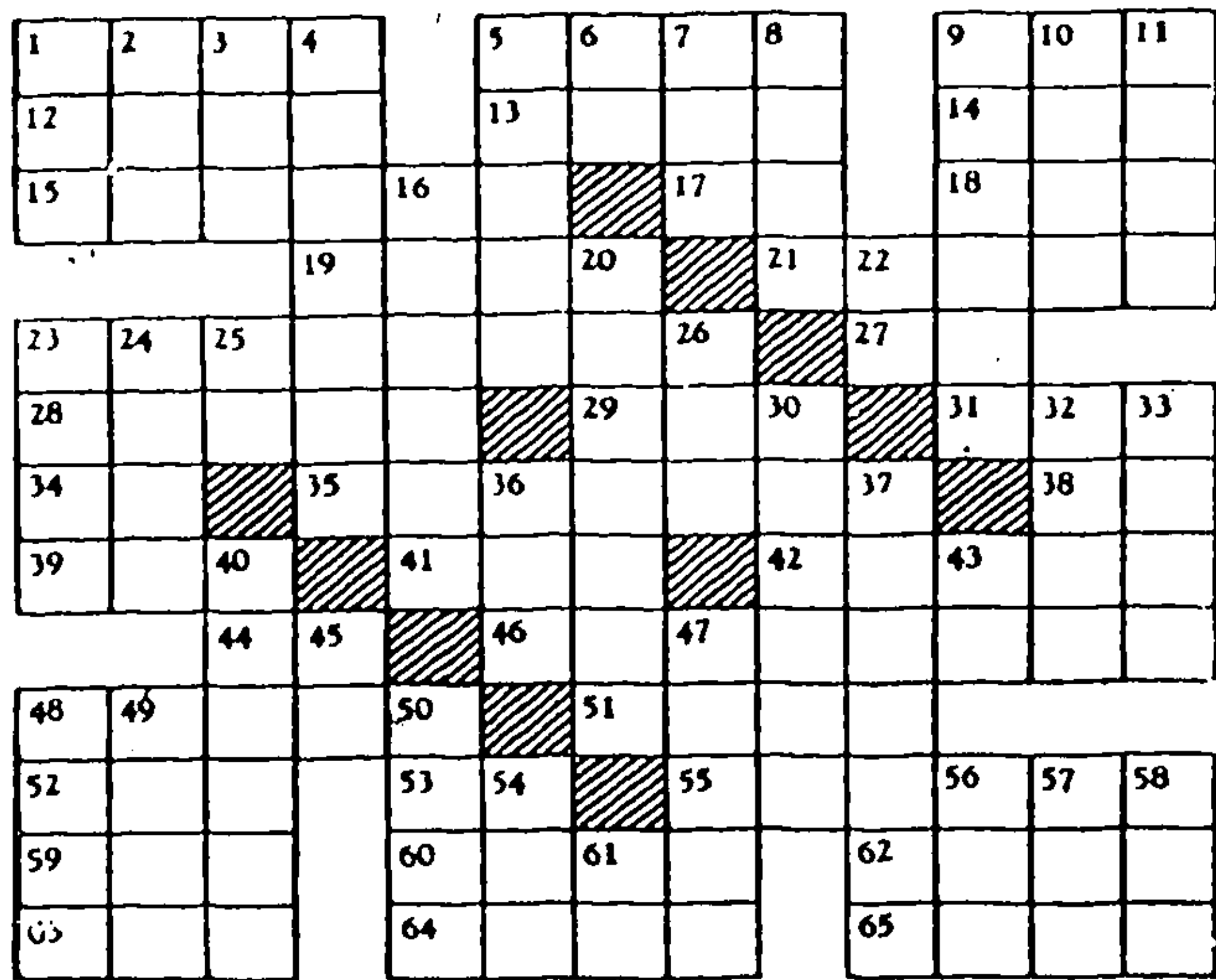
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- 5 To close violently
- 9 Became
- 12 Stringed instrument
- 13 Ripped
- 14 Final
- 15 Each
- 17 Pronoun
- 18 Possessive pronoun
- 19 Turkish regiment
- 21 Brief
- 23 Boiled meal and water
- 27 Symbol for silver
- 28 To take away
- 29 To bow
- 31 Period of time
- 34 Toward
- 35 Stated on oath
- 38 Land-measure
- 39 Before
- 41 Title of respect
- 42 Old English ballad
- 44 Not any
- 45 Expires

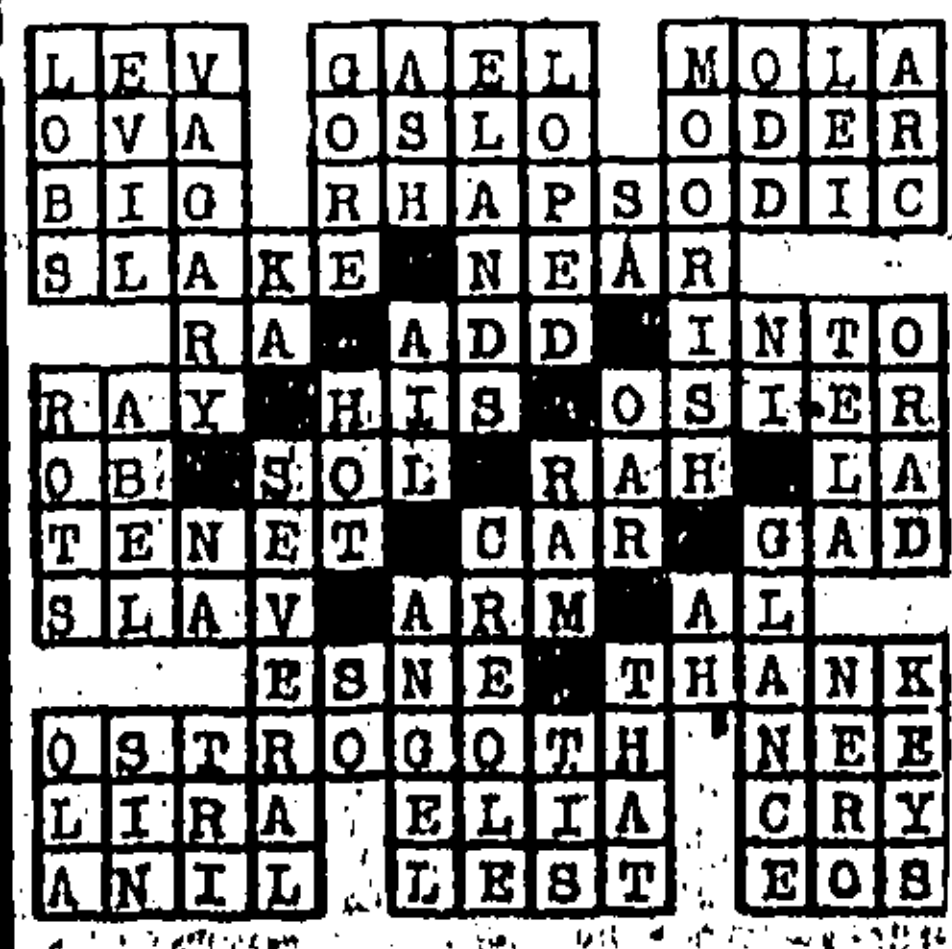
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- 1 Exclamation of triumph
- 2 To knock
- 3 Prefix: three
- 4 Pierced
- 5 Place
- 6 Observe
- 7 To supply with weapons
- 8 To encounter

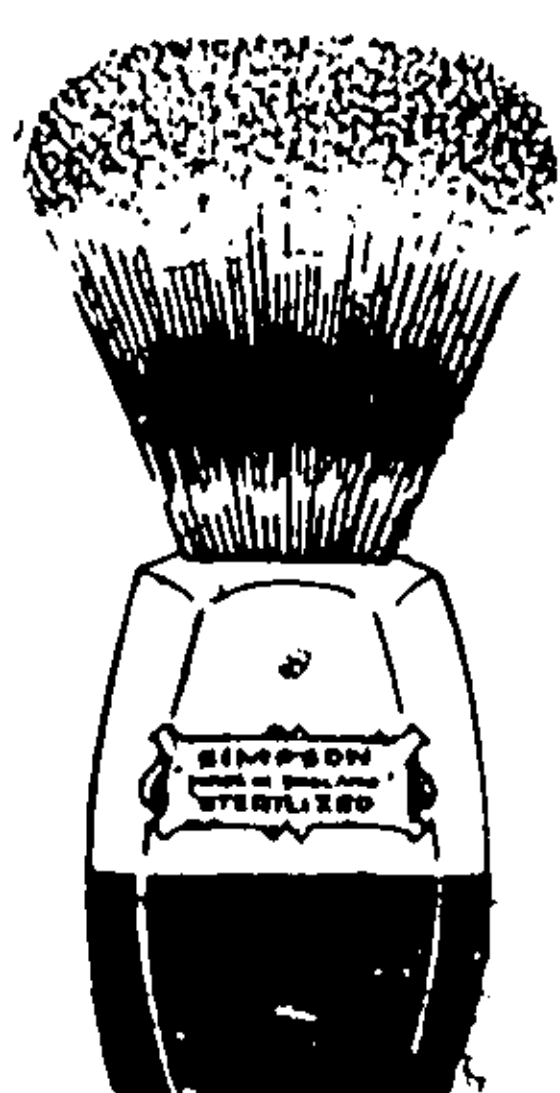
9 King of England

- 10 Musical composition
- 11 To fatigue
- 16 Poetic regions
- 20 Overlooks
- 22 Babylonian deity
- 23 Top of the head
- 24 Aroma
- 25 Note of scale
- 26 Dawn goddess
- 30 To mock
- 32 To rage
- 33 War god
- 36 Fruit seed
- 37 Forsakes
- 40 To necessitate
- 43 What?
- 45 Exclamation of surprise
- 47 Stair
- 48 Colloquial: father
- 49 Image
- 50 River in Belgium
- 54 Crude metal
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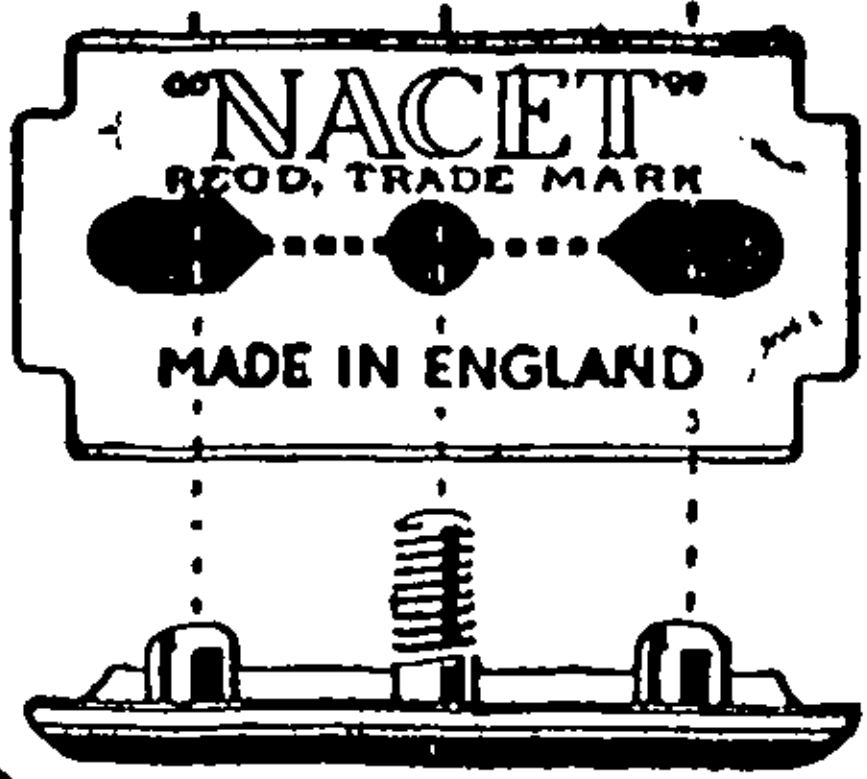
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SELF DECEPTION QUALITIES CAUSE OF

FAILURE OF ITALIAN AIR FORCE

IT IS DOUBTFUL TO-DAY whether Italy could muster 1,000 military aircraft which could lift themselves off the ground. If this number could be found, they would be outmoded 'planes of Spanish war vintage, useful only where there is no modern air opposition, writes the Rome correspondent of the "Christian Science Monitor." There are no new Italian 'plane models of any military significance.

The so-called picchiattelli, or dive bombers, mentioned in Rome communiques are German Stukas under an Italian name. Neutral observers in Rome have not been able to trace freshly produced machines even of the older types in any quantity. It is probable that the Italian aircraft industry is manufacturing parts for German 'planes.

A pilot receives his military brevet in Italy after approximately 100 hours of flying. This compares with an average of 250 hours in the United States.

During this period everything is done to spare the 'plane and spoil the pilot. Gasoline and equipment are more precious than gold in Italy, and 'planes are harder to replace than men. The pilot's cross-country training consists usually of one carefully conducted hop in which he simply follows his instructor. He has had perhaps two night flights, which consisted of taking the 'plane off the field, circling round within a carefully restricted area, and setting it down again.

This is the reverse of the American system, which turns out a self-reliant veteran of much night navigation and of many cross-country hops "on his own." The Italian pilot out of school and "ready for service" has none of that night-flying technique which is basic to modern bombing. He has little or no expert knowledge of navigation. He is trained only for formation flying which is dangerous business to-day, and is too nearly helpless when by himself. Instead of being experienced, he is green and is expected to gain his experience in battle.

"I was in a panic," confessed a young aviator to a friend of mine, "the first time I flew over Malta. It wasn't because of the British 'planes or the anti-aircraft fire. I was afraid to lose sight of my squadron leader. If I had, I should have been unable to find my way back alone!"

Improper Training

Improper training showed up fatally when serious air operations were attempted. Lacking ability as navigators, Italian aviators were incapable of establishing accurate, methodical reconnaissance over the Mediterranean of which they boasted complete air control. British convoys were located, too often by hit-or-miss methods, only to be lost again. This would be ground for dismissal in other air forces.

Pilots were not trained in surface naval strategy, which is essential to supporting a sea action. Nor were they taught to recognise ships. This caused one of the more ironic incidents. In the first battle of the Ionian Sea, Italian 'planes rushed to the rescue and furiously bombed—their own ships. They simply didn't recognise them. Moreover, they did not scrupulously maintain radio communications as they should have done. They did not hear the frantic radio signals sent up by their enraged comrades below.

Happily for the Italians the aviators' aim was satisfactorily inaccurate. Nothing was hit.

Pilots, going into battle for the first time, were amazed at their own technical incompetence. "Why didn't someone tell us?" groaned one of them after realising how poor his training had been. The answer is simple: "It isn't good Fascism to tell. Loyalty is placed above all other Fascist virtues; and it is disloyal to criticise. Officials in Italy are expected to make glowing reports to their superiors saying that under Fascism, all is well."

One Type Of 'Plane

Consider the facts relative to the Italian 'planes. Their designs date from the period of the Span-

ish war. Only one type used by the Air Force was designed more recently than from three to five years ago. It was not a success and few were used. Most of the ships actually were produced more than three years ago. Three years is an aeon in modern air history.

The Air Force therefore was entirely based on conclusions drawn from the Spanish war experience. These conclusions were erroneous. The Italians then had no heavy gun opposition in the air. They had no effective anti-aircraft fire to stop their low flying. The bombing they did was "area bombing" rather than precision bombing. Strategy in the Spanish war was chiefly concerned with dog-fighting in which Italian pilots excel; whereas to-day, precision flying and good gunnery are the rule.

Immediately after the Spanish war, to-day's Italian Air Force was produced in a Fascist-sealed vacuum. Italian engineers were convinced they had the best 'planes. Therefore they spent their time trying to keep their secrets from the outside world. They ignored developments elsewhere.

I know of recent cases where Italian research engineers were labouring on problems long since solved in the United States or Germany, with the results openly published in American and German trade magazines. These magazines were not subscribed to nor read in Italy. It was unpatriotic and unfascist to do so. Once again, the Party's rule against self-criticism barred the door to technical efficiency.

The illusion of a good air force was heightened by several exploits which made the Italians quite self-assured. Italo Balbo's famous mass flight from Italy to the United States was executed superbly. But Marshal Balbo took the pick of the Air Force. He drilled his men for six solid months for this one flight.

Special Models

Italian aeroplanes captured several world records for height, distance, and weight carrying. But these were made by specially "suped up" 'planes. It didn't occur to anyone to incorporate the lessons learned into the regular Air Force.

Meanwhile, the Italian bomb-sight was very poor. Target practice had been far too casual, for Italy couldn't afford to "waste" ammunition on practice. When Italian aviators found themselves held at great heights by the British naval and land anti-aircraft fire, so that they couldn't swoop down to lay their bombs near the ground as in the Spanish War, they were helpless. The bombs were scattered far and wide.

The British tested this, and in early autumn found the Italian attacking power so feeble that they impudently ran the Queen Mary and the new Mauretania through the Sicilian Channel right under the Italian bomb-racks, without damage.

When the Italians finally met Hurricanes and Spitfires in Libya, it was, as one of them bluntly said, "suicidal." "What could I do," he groaned, "with my two forward guns against the British eight? Or with my 400 kilometres an hour against the British 600?" His Fiat 'plane wasn't as good as the old British Gloucesters which had been re-

FATHER HEAD OF HOUSE

Father is still the head of the family, in the eyes of the United States Tax Board, whether he works or not.

Mr. Martin Gebelein, of Philadelphia, has lost his claim for tax exemption on the ground that he is the head of a family.

He said he lived with his mother and father, who is retired, and was the only member of the household working.

The Board ruled that the father was head of the family. — Reuter.

tired and sent to Egypt to be turned out to pasture.

Returned By Train!

As for the Italian 'planes which went north to attack London, they had a hard time of it. The old wooden struts in some of the 'planes swelled, sprung the wings and fuselage, and splintered under the British guns. The fabric rotted in the damp weather and gave way. Motors were not accustomed to starting under the protracted cold.

Some of the aviators admitted that they had returned to Italy on the train! They simply couldn't get their 'planes off the ground. Perhaps half the 'planes failed to return.

Italian aviators are brave, frequently even necklessly so. They continued to fight against terrific odds. But their bravery takes the form of a dashing, personal gallantry, unsupported by discipline and continuous hard work. Without meaning to be unkind, an expert critic in Rome said: "They all want the glory of soaring through the air, without any of the drudgery of mastering the technique of their trade."

FLAMING ARROWS IN AFRICA

East African forces operating against Azozo, the big Italian military base in Western Abyssinia, are using with advantage a new and terrifying weapon.

It is an incendiary arrow and is used by a small group of irregular levies—bowmen picked from a Sudanese tribe famed for archery.

The arrow can be shot at ranges up to 300 yards, and the most terrifying element about it is its silence. Bowmen surround by night groups of grass huts which form the Italian camp—the Azozo garrison are almost all housed in such huts—and let loose a hail of arrows.

The soft thud of their impact is inaudible to the enemy. A few seconds later their incendiary mixture flares up, and the Italian quarters are ablaze. Before they are aware of the attack.

The arrow was devised by a young Sudanese official, a former Rugger "Blue."

THREE TIMES TO RESCUE

The Royal National Lifeboat Institution has made awards of over £22 to its crew at Amble, Northumberland, who went out three times in fourteen hours to a Sunderland steamer which had gone ashore, in a rough sea, and rescued her crew of forty-two.

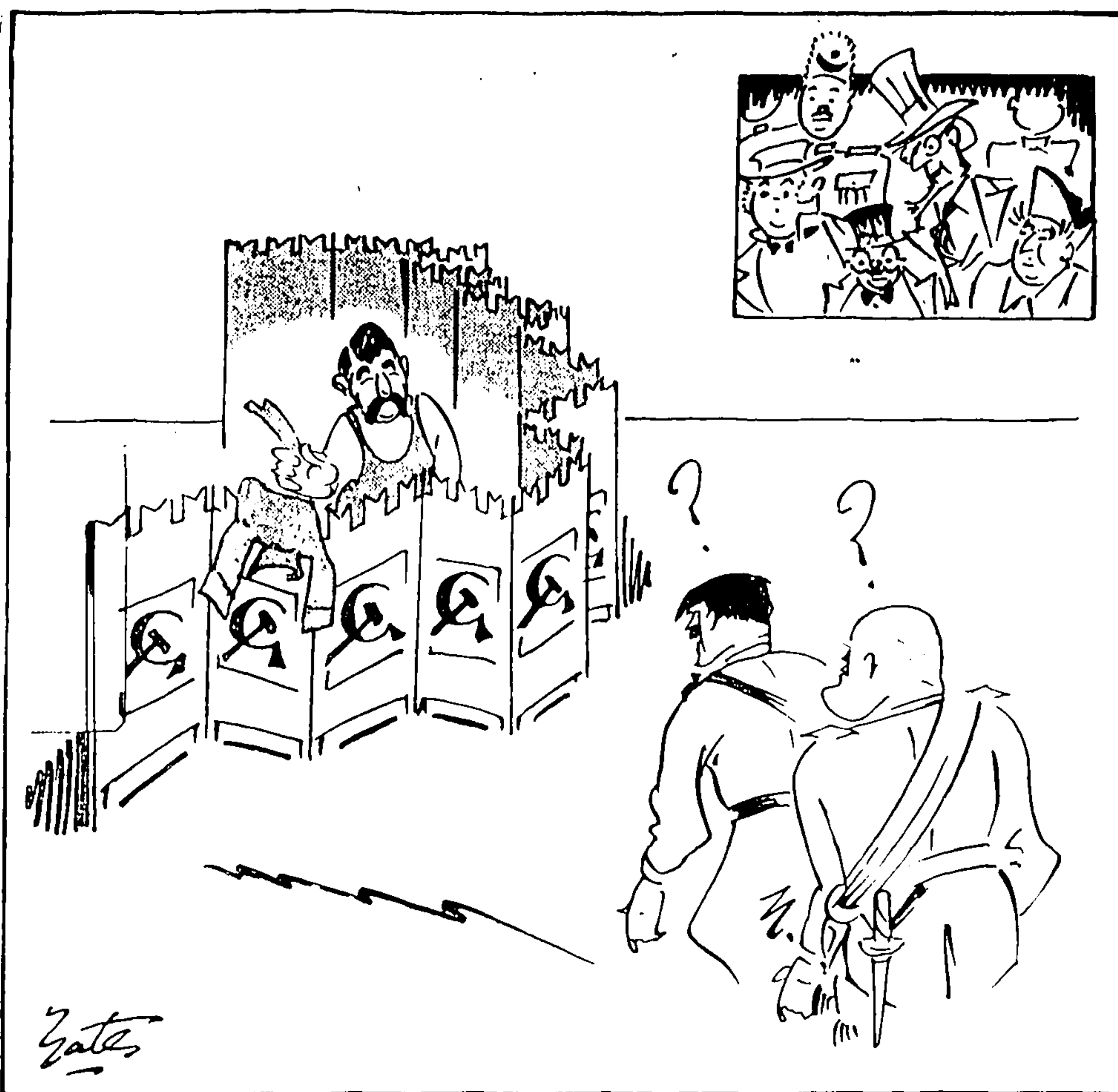
CHINA MAIL
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HITLER'S VERSAILLES

Before the deceased ceased to struggle, two well-known ambulance chasers bobbed up in Vienna to perform another autopsy. This time the victim was Yugoslavia, and the operators rushed to the morgue with indecent haste because the fight over the remains threatened to become embarrassing. Under cover of the engrossing military operations in Greece, four claimants advanced in force over the prostrate body of Yugoslavia, each staking off a coveted slice of territory. The Italians dashed up the Adriatic coast from the Albanian border to Fiume to gain possession of Dalmatia. The Bulgarians marched into Macedonia, establishing themselves in the South Serbian town of Skopje. The Hungarians and Rumanians drew up in battle array, ready to fight over the rich lands of the Yugoslav Banat, once ruled by Hungary. Meantime the frontiers of the separate state of Croatia have not been finally determined and Saturday's reports indicate that large sections of the scattered Serb army are still alive and kicking in the centre of the country.

There is danger for Hitler in all these disputes and new divisions. A particularly ugly situation is developing in Rumania, where Antonescu, prodded by the inextinguishable Iron Guard, is publicly repudiating the Vienna Diktat. This must have been considered in Vienna, for while the quarrelsome Balkans have to take anything they get, and like it, the master of the house must be infuriated by the incessant disorder reigning among the conquered but apparently unconquerable peoples.

The Fuehrer has sketched a new map of Southeast Europe. His Versailles will be announced instead of negotiated. It will be the "Diktat" of one man instead of a compromise worked out by many-minded commissions hearing all sides. And it will settle nothing, satisfy nobody, and contain no provision for appeal or repeal. Of all the strait-jackets ever devised, it will be the most inflexible, the most inhumane, and—as we see already in Rumania and Hungary—the most futile.



QUICK-CHANGE ARTIST

Night Fighter

A number of young men are lined up at dusk on an R.A.F. station for a new kind of duty.

They are the men who can see in the dark, specially selected as night fliers because of their keen eyesight.

Come with me to a night-fighter station and let us try to pierce the gloom with the pilot who flies into arctic temperatures at 30,000 feet to hunt Nazi pilots.

A Typical Log

Here is a typical log of a lone pilot on night patrol.

16.00 hours (4 p.m.) - Warned for duty.

Dressed and strolled over to the Mess for hot meal of ham and eggs and lots of tea at 17.00 hours.

18.00 hours - On the tarmac. Cloud is heavy and low. Not so good for pre-dawn landings.

18.30 hours - Taxi out, keeping an eye on each other to avoid collision.

18.45 hours - My turn to take-off. Wind would be S.W. to-night, making me taxi a couple of miles first. Anyway, it warms the engine, and my A.G. (air gunner) doesn't seem to mind being bumped along.

18.57 hours - Take-off at last. Engine running sweetly. How the instrument fingers seem to dance when 50 of them jump about like marionettes just at the take-off in darkness. This ghostly lighting on the dashboard makes me look all weird and green.

19.20 hours - That's better. I always feel happier when I've got beyond the first 20,000 feet. With lots of room below there's lots of time to think of what to do in emergency. I love altitude. I wonder how high we can take the "crate" to-night.

19.30 hours - A.G. behind seems alert and unusually communicative. I can hear him talking to himself. Must be to relieve the boredom. Perhaps he'll be too busy soon to be bored.

21.30 hours - 32,000 feet, and 50 below. Phew! I've never been so high, but it's warm enough in here. We must have crossed the coast. I'll turn back now and keep up and down this strip.

Feel like a copper on his beat at night with "nothing to report, nobody drowned and nothing to laugh at at all" as little Albert said.

22.00 hours - Time to be going down. The petrol's running low. But suspect I can see a faint red glow below. Wish I could hear engines of other aircraft above the noise of mine. Then I could follow a lot easier.

That glow's an engine exhaust, I'll bet.

Yes, there he is. Now for it. I'll make her touch 410 m.p.h. to get after him. She'll take it.

Gee, we are racing down.

I gave her the gun all right. Swung her round for A.G. to get a broadside to port with all his four guns.

Knew it was a Hun, because no other R.A.F. aircraft in this sector.

This job depends on good organisation in ground and air if the system is to work. It worked this time.

We got a JU 88 all right. Well done A.G.

It's worth going down through the muck to find the aerodrome with the first one in the bag on the first patrol to-night.

22.33 hours - Landed O.K.

Boulton Paul Defiants are the machines they generally use for this job.

It was the Defiant which, when first tried out, shot down 60 enemy

By William Courtenay

aircraft in three days in France without loss to themselves.

Many people have wondered why the Defiant was so suddenly withdrawn from service after its good work in France and why a veil of secrecy has been drawn round it ever since.

The enemy would like to know this, too. Only this much can be said.

These aircraft were designed as night fighters. When they were tried out in daytime in France they did exceptionally well, particularly as they were "a surprise packet."

Lessons were learnt which have been incorporated in these aircraft, and now they are back at the task for which they were designed.

The Blenheim fighter-bomber is also used for night fighting. Its long range, gun turret amidships and crew of three make it admirable for night interception, and its speed of 300 m.p.h. is superior to that of any enemy bomber which it may meet.

There are other types, too, new types.

Let us take a look at the pilots—Britain's new "fly-by-nights". They are hand-picked youngsters, fresh and alert, with the eye of an eagle and the pouncing power of a hawk.

Only the young and very fit are selected for night-flying tasks aboard the fighters. It is a new technique.

The main problem of the night fighter may be summed up in one sentence. He must see his enemy or he cannot hope to close with him and bring him down.

Seeing in the dark—that is the essence of the problem. And all the scientific devices and aerial

diving rods which are now being tried out to probe the skies to find the bomber cannot be fully exploited unless they lead to illumination.

The first D.F.C. has been awarded for night interception. Flight-Lieut. John Cunningham—"cat's-eyes" Cunningham—he is called because of his uncanny night vision chased a raider for 10 minutes off the South coast and got him.

He sighted another above him and with well-aimed tracer bullets found his billet.

How did he see his enemy in the dark? It was the tell-tale flames of the exhaust gases from the motors which betrayed the foe. These exhaust flames are not visible by day.

Giant Task

Clever devices are resorted to to try to conceal them at night, but they cannot be hidden altogether.

Let us go over the difficulties which face our night fighters and see the magnitude of their task.

First, the aerodrome itself is shrouded in darkness except for the flare path hurriedly lighted by mechanics.

The Defiant flies into its allotted part of the sky. Straining eyes watch for the white breakers which betray the presence of water, though even these are difficult to detect from high altitude.

He turns to search his area when he judges the raider will have entered it.

It is at this stage that the pilot prays for the vision of the cat. He peers into the gloom of darkness for some sign of engine exhaust glow or for the sinister silhouette of the intruder.

Once this appears he is able to manoeuvre into position for his gunner to open fire.

The patrol and vigil are short for the Defiant does not carry a big fuel supply. Groping down in the darkness to find the dim glow of the flare path is yet an ordeal to be faced when the hours of sentry-go are over.

If bad weather closes in on the aerodrome while the pilot is "upstairs" his task is doubly dangerous.

But with this system of co-ordination and cooperation and with intensive training at the technique of night fighting excellent results are now being achieved.

From the experience the technique is being perfected.

As new devices come into operation there is the certain promise that in time the R.A.F. will grasp the menace of the roving night raiders and by the infliction of heavy casualties make them fear the night as already the "Luftwaffe" fears the day.

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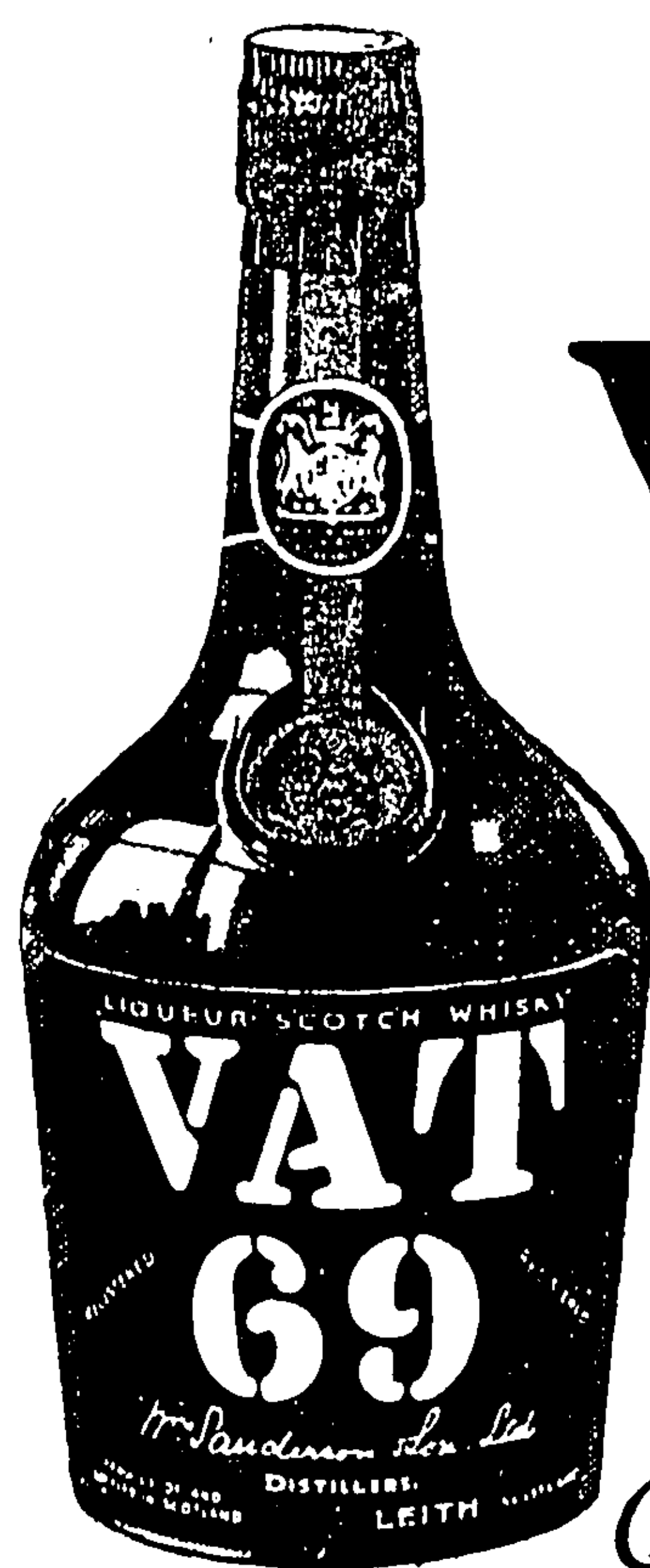
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FORMATION OF NORTH CHINA NAZI PARTY

WHEN ONE READS about party warfare in China, one generally hears only of the Kuomintang and Communist parties. It may not, therefore, be realised that China also possesses the inestimable blessing of a Nazi party, which is not entirely unimportant, says the Peiping correspondent of the "North China Daily News."

The Chinese National Socialist Party is of fairly old standing and appears to have done quite a lot of wire-pulling and intriguing behind the scenes, and to have attracted to its fold a certain number of more or less important persons.

Except for its name and the desire to seize power and rule dictatorially, the Chinese National Socialist Party has little in common with its German prototype and remains very much of a Chinese affair. Its members wear no shirt at least of no particular colour nor other uniform, have no special salute, slogan or flag of their own.

The party was founded about ten years ago by a group of scholars, who were disgruntled because their valuable accomplishments and services had been overlooked by Gen. Chiang Kai-shek. It is for this reason that the birthplace of the party was in the north, and its chief recruiting-grounds in Peiping and Tientsin, because the leaders of the party were mostly professors of the universities in those two cities, such as Tsinghua, Yenching, Peita and Nankai.

For this reason, too, the party was not without a certain influence in intellectual circles, and thus managed to find financial backing in this true to type—among certain prominent bankers and industrialists. But as far as is known, the Chinese National Socialist Party had no direct connection with the Nazi party in Germany, though most of the "intellectuals" who were its leaders were German-returned students. No doubt, however, the successes of the Nazi party in Germany gave the Chinese party a considerable fillip.

Party Of Theorists

The weakness of the party, however, was that it was too intellectual and, unlike the real Nazis, had no armed forces, such as Storm Troopers or Black Guards, to back it, nor a proper army or independent government, as had the Chinese Communists.

It was, therefore, merely a party of theorists in the hands of a few powerless scholars and timid financiers, and quite unable to stand up to the all-powerful Kuomintang.

In order to try and remedy this, the party did try and obtain the services of an armed force. This it did, not by organising its own army or corps of fighting-men, but by trying to ally itself with one or other of the semi-independent warlords, of whom there were quite a number in China before 1937 and who were mostly opposed to Gen. Chiang Kai-shek.

For this purpose, Prof. Chang Tung-sun, one of the founders of the party, resigned from Yenching University and joined Gen. Chen Chi-tang's semi-independent government in Canton in 1935. He took with him to Canton a large number of party members. But soon afterwards General Chen was overthrown in a revolt against the Central Government, and Professor Chang had to return to North China. Later on, the party tried to ally itself with Gen. Sung-yuan, when he was head of the Peiping Political Council. Prof. Lo Chung-chi, another founder of the party and a professor of Nankai University, became high adviser to General Sung and editor of the Peiping "Chen Pao." The Chinese National Socialist Party might very possibly have gained considerable influence over the 29th Route Army and in the councils of the semi-independent Hopei-Chahar regime, had not hostilities with Japan broken out in 1937.

Allegiance To Kuomintang

After the outbreak of hostilities political warfare in China ceased for a time, and other Chinese political parties joined hands with the Kuomintang, the National Socialist Party included. Several of the bankers were given important Government posts, while of the intellectuals, Prof. Lo Chung-chi and Prof. Chang Chun-mai, leader of the party, and several others became members of the People's Political Council in Chungking, where they are regarded as belonging to a minority party. Just as was Chow En-lai of the Communists.

But not all the National Socialists joined up with Chungking. Some remained in Peiping, and when Wang Ching-wei formed his new government at Nanking, these joined up with him under the leadership of Chu Chin-tai, Minister of Communications.

Thus we actually have a party, which has a pro-Japanese branch in Chungking.

In north China the National Socialist Party has continued its policy of winning over important and useful persons. It could, however, no longer rope in dependent warlords, because these have ceased to exist in north China. Instead, it turned its attention to leading members of the local regime.

Thus it has gained the patronage of Yin Tung, who has become honorary chairman of the party, which has also been joined by other leading government personages, such as Wang Shih-ching, Wang Yin-tai, and Wang Keh-min—now in retirement—and several others; but not Wang I-tang, chairman of the North China Political Affairs Commission. Each of these important persons is said to have contributed a considerable sum to the party funds, so that it is financially quite strong and able to attract a growing body of members.

Recent Nazi Interest

In recent days, the Germans are said to have taken a certain interest in the party and to have recommended it to the attention of the Japanese, so that it is now allowed to conduct its activities quite openly. The party has succeeded in placing many of its members in various government offices, and quite particularly in the profitable Reconstruction Commission, as also in government colleges and universities.

HERE'S A RICOCHET FROM 1778

A cannon ball fired by the British in 1778 during the War of Independence has been sent from America to Mr. Churchill by Mr. Hamilton Cochrane, of Hastings, New York, who wants to add one more shot to the heroic fight Britain is making for democracy.

STORY OF SOLDIERS' "WIVES"

A man who was alleged to have lived with two women for three years without either of them knowing of the existence of the other appeared at Birmingham, on a charge of bigamy.

The man was Terence McLarnon, a 33-year-old Irish soldier, who was stated to be an absentee from the Royal Ulster Rifles.

McLarnon, who pleaded "Not Guilty," was committed for trial at Birmingham Assizes.

For the prosecution it was said that McLarnon was legally married on September 30, 1932, at St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church, Belfast, and lived happily with his wife for three years. He then began going about with another woman named Lily Divers, spending part of his time with her and part with his wife. He lived with the women alternately for about three years.

Left His Wife

He finally left his wife altogether, and lived with Miss Divers. On August 20, 1940, he went through a form of marriage with Miss Divers at Birmingham. He had been living with her on and off for some years, and she had had four children by him.

McLarnon, it was alleged, had not supported his wife for five years, and she had no Army allowance. There were two children of the legal marriage—twins aged nine.

Miss Divers, in evidence, said she first started to live with McLarnon five years ago. It was not until after they had been through the form of marriage that she learnt he was married. She had received the Army allowance.

The immediate policy of the party is said to be to back up the claims of Yin Tung to the post of chairman of the North China Political Affairs Commission, in succession to Wang I-tang, and thus raise itself into power.

It seems unlikely, however, that Mr. Wang will be got rid of quite so easily, as he has the powerful backing of no less a person than Lieut.-Gen. Itagaki, the "strong man" of the Japanese army in China.

In any case, it may be doubted, whether the Japanese military rulers of north China, despite the recommendations of their Nazi friends, are going to allow any Chinese party to gain control, unless it suits their own particular plans.

BIRMINGHAM IS BATTLED BUT UNDISMAYED

IT IS NO NEWS TO THE Nazis that Birmingham is one of the greatest manufacturing centres in the world, and naturally so promising a target has not escaped bombing. But its very size has helped to save it. Sprawling in new suburbs over 80 square miles, the second city in England, with its 1,000,000 inhabitants, cannot be wiped out in a night, or many nights.

The Luftwaffe has inflicted a thousand scars, flattened a large number of houses and killed a good many harmless men, women and children.

With the worst will in the world it cannot crush Birmingham, lower its courage or appreciably slow up its busy life.

Though several streets have suffered severely, especially in the savage attacks culminating in that of November 22, the destruction in Birmingham is more scattered than in Coventry, Bristol or Southampton, and less spectacular. Many shops have been badly knocked about by high-explosives and fire; the Cathedral, built by Vanbrugh's pupil, Thomas Archer, in 1711, lost its roof (the windows designed by Bruce-Jones and executed by William Morris had been removed to safety); and the Art Gallery has been damaged by high-explosives.

Works Of Art Saved

Normally the Art Gallery houses an enormous collection of the Pre-Raphaelites and contemporaries, including 1,000 drawings, whose subjects may move moderns to laughter but at least recall a happier age—"King Mark and La Belle Iscalt," by Birmingham's own Burne-Jones; "Two Gentlemen of Verona," by Holman Hunt; "Beata Beatrix," by Rossetti; and "Little Red Riding-hood," by Watts.

These, with a fine collection of water-colours by David Cox and works by Gainsborough and Richard Wilson, have all been saved.

In other districts of Birmingham the real savagery of the attacks comes home to you. In tumbled miles of streets where prosaic brick houses, small shops and parish churches were the only objectives. Some had been blotted out by direct hits; other made uninhabitable, with blasted roofs and gaping windows.

I heard no drumming. A railway fireman with a limp told me philosophically that he had buried his mother in the morning and had had an incendiary through his roof that evening.

Birmingham has much to be thankful for, much to be proud of. The hospital arrangements, have proved more than adequate; local shelters have been satisfactory; and bunks are being installed as fast as possible.

It would be untrue, however, to say that there has been no dissatisfaction. Underground shelters in clay soil have proved so damp and unhealthy that people are advised to stay at home; and complaints have been made of bad sanitation, delays in tidying bombed streets, and cumbersome procedure.

"The truth is that Birmingham, with its million inhabitants, is the biggest municipality in the country and has outgrown its government machinery," said one critic. "Decentralisation is overdue."

Fire Service Criticised

The fire service, too, came in for strong criticism. A Home Office expert came from London to advise, and certain changes were made. The fact is that no fire-fighting organisation could cope with the number of fires started in Birmingham, as at Coventry, Bristol and Southampton, before the watching system was properly organised.

The solution, apart from better watching, would seem to be central reserves of fire-engines, food, blankets and the other essentials, in which Birmingham and Coventry were caught short.

Another crying need is said to be—for every instance of thoroughgoing, self-reliant street organisation by residents you

NEW U.S. BOMBERS IN ENGLAND

Fourteen months after the prototype underwent its first test, the first of a batch of Consolidated four-engined bombers is ready for delivery to England from the United States, writes the Air Correspondent of the "Manchester Guardian." This is the Consolidated Liberator, a huge machine which when fully loaded weighs 41,000lb.

The Liberator is made of metal throughout and is of full cantilever monoplane design. The engines are 1,200-h.p. Pratt and Whitney Wasps, and at a cruising speed of 230 m.p.h. the range is approximately 3,000 miles. It has a retractable tricycle under-carriage, and gun turrets are built into the nose and the tail. The normal crew is from six to nine, according to the mission, and it can carry a bomb load of four tons.

Better Than Nazi Type

This great American bomber, which has a maximum speed of over 300 miles an hour, is in the same class as the enemy's Focke-Wulf F. W. 200K, the four-engined land plane which is being used in raids over the Atlantic. The dimensions are about the same, the Liberator having a span of 110 feet; and the Focke-Wulf a span of 108 feet; the former's length is 63 feet and the latter's 78 feet. The German machine, however, cannot carry such a heavy load, nor has it got such a good range. It is believed also that its maximum speed is some 50 miles an hour less than that of the Consolidated aircraft.

The Liberator, from its inception to its maiden flight, was just nine months in the building, a record for an aeroplane of such great size and an indication of the swiftness with which American aircraft constructors can evolve and produce machines.

It is said that six of the 26 Liberator bombers which are to be delivered to Britain may be used as transports for the ferry pilots now delivering machines across the Atlantic to Britain.

find ten where everything is left to "the authorities."

The fireman already quoted complained that after five weeks the Council had done nothing to stop the rain and snow coming through the hole in his roof and spoiling his carpets, though it did not forget to call for the rent.

Instead of organising a first-aid-to-houses team, capable of patching roofs and windows with bits of tin, board or linoleum in an hour or two, he and his neighbours go on watching the rain pour in and nursing their grievance luxuriously, while small damage grows big.

Multiply this street by thousands all over the country, and it is easy to see that the taxpayers' bill for unnecessary compensation is going to run into millions.

TROOPS WILL TRAIN AT THE PICTURES

The Army is to make the fullest use of films for training purposes at home and abroad.

It is announced that in consultation with the Cinematograph Exhibitors' Association and the Government cinematograph adviser, Captain Paul Kimberley will advise on the establishment of the Army facilities necessary for distributing and showing these films.

BRITISH PRISONER OF WAR KILLED

SEC. LT. EDWARD L. DEES, D. L. I., WAS RECENTLY SHOT AT A GERMAN PRISON CAMP. He was standing at a window to sketch when a sentry, thinking that he was disobeying rules by leaning out, fired twice after shouting. He was killed instantly. Before the war Sec. Lt. Dees was a well-known member of North Durham Rugby Club and the Ravensworth Golf Club.

According to letters received from the camp, he was buried in a cemetery outside the camp, wreaths being laid by Brig. Nicholson on behalf of the camp and by Col. Bramwell and Lt. Lightfoot on behalf of the regiment and his room companions.

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BRIDGE SWINDLES — NO. 38

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♠ 8 6
♥ Q J 6
♦ A K Q 4
♣ A K 6 4

♠ K 9 7 3
♥ K 5 4
♦ J 9 8 3
♣ 9 6

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♠ J 10 5 4
♥ 2
♦ 7 3
♣ 10 7

♠ A Q
♥ A 10 9 8 3
♦ 6 5 2
♣ Q 3 2

The bidding:

| North | East | South | West |
|-------|------|-------|------|
| 1♣ | Pass | 1♣ | Pass |
| 2♣ | Pass | 2♣ | Pass |
| 3♣ | Pass | 6♣ | Pass |

West opened the nine of clubs, and dummy won with the King, while East dropped the Jack to signal encouragement. (This was a good play, for East could not support any shift, but could feel perfectly safe about a club continuation.)

The Queen of hearts was led for a finesse. West taking the heart King and returning his other club. South won with the club Queen, drew trumps and led a club to dummy's Ace.

West saw what was coming, so casually began a swindle by dropping his lowest spade. South returned to his hand by ruffing a club, and West discarded another low spade. South then led his last trump, and West nonchalantly tossed away his last low spade, blanking the King!

Declarer next led a diamond, leading dummy's three tops. When the last diamond failed to set up he returned a spade, and East helped his partner along by playing the spade Jack. What was South to do?

Any double-dummy player will see that playing the Ace makes the slam; but we think that most people in actual play would take the finesse and go down — as South did in this case.

* * *

Saturday you were Oswald Jacoby's partner and, with both sides vulnerable, you held:

♠ J 7
♥ Q 10 7 4 2
♦ K 9 3
♣ K 8 4

The bidding:

| Jacoby | Schenken | You | Maler |
|--------|----------|-----|-------|
| 1♦ | 1♠ | (?) | |

ANSWER: Bid two diamonds. Your hand is not strong enough for a bid of two hearts. If your partner has no fit for hearts, you practically compel him to bid three diamonds; and then you won't know whether to go on or pass. Since your hand is too strong for a pass, the raise in diamonds is your best way to show your values.

Score 100% for two diamonds, 50% for pass, 30% for two hearts.

Question No. 713

To-day you hold the same hand, and the bidding continues:

| Jacoby | Schenken | You | Maler |
|--------|----------|-----|-------|
| 1♦ | 1♠ | 2♦ | Pass |
| Pass | 2♠ | (?) | |

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

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DECEIVING NAZI AIR SPOTTERS

Camouflage A Job For Experts

All formations of the Home Forces now have camouflage officers at their headquarters. The number of these officers is being rapidly increased, an indication of the development of camouflage made necessary by the great role played by air reconnaissance.

The officers who have passed through this school include artists and architects, scene painters and theatrical producers, a dress designer and a professional magician, Mr. Jasper Mackelyle, now serving in Libya. They have had to study air photography, including infra-red, stereoscopy and the interpretation of air photographs.

Ineffective Work

The man who has never flown and has never studied air photography cannot guess the right way to protect himself. Much of the camouflage which in the heat of the moment was applied last summer up and down the country is camouflage only in name to the experts of the Royal Engineers; a good deal of paint was lavished to small purpose.

In recent months the experts have introduced great reforms. Not much can be said at the moment than that the Army aims to merge the military installations of all kinds, as seen from the air, into the civilian environment.

When a start is made on a virgin site this can be done with almost unbelievable success. It is possible to construct a camp accommodating thousands of men which is unrecognisable as such from the air, while on the coast and inland some of the pill-boxes are invisible.

The disguise of munition factories comes under a different authority, the Civil Defence Camouflage Establishment which, in some instances, has had an enormous job to correct errors of judgment and short-sightedness of the past.

Artillerymen have the satisfaction of knowing that the camouflage is absolute protection for guns of all calibres from aerial observation. It remains for them not to give the show away by making obvious paths to cook-houses and other buildings.

One of the problems in the Army to-day is to bring home to the millions of men the nature of aerial observation. A camouflage film is being made for exhibition in training camps.

CUPID IN BOATS

Passport to romance for Frances Clark, one of thirty-eight girls who have become cobblers for the duration, is—an old Army boot!

It has brought her a proposal of marriage.

Frances, who works in a shoe-mending factory at Upper Tulse Hill, S. W., was repairing a pair of outside Army boots one day and decided to slip a note inside wishing their owner luck.

The soldier, a gunner in the Royal Artillery, replied thanking her and asking for her picture. She sent one and he sent his photograph.

Now, though they have never met, the gunner has asked Frances to marry him.

"I never guessed my note would lead to this," Frances told me as she hammered studs into a soldier's shoes.

"Of course, I would not consider marrying someone I have never met," she smiled. "Just knowing his boots isn't really enough."

At the shoe-mending factory they mend an average of 2,500 boots a week.

"We have almost completely changed our staff to women now," Mr. H. R. English, owner and manager, told me.

"They're all good girls and good workers—I haven't a grumble."

R.A.F. WILL NOT PART TWINS

Following an appeal on compassionate grounds by their father, twin brothers Geoffrey and Raymond Hepple, of Granville-terrace, York, have been brought together by the R.A.F. authorities.

Never parted for a day since birth, the boys, who are twenty, volunteered together for the R.A.F. There was a two-day gap between their medicals, and this apparently was the cause of their being posted to different training camps.

For three months the boys had the unhappiest time of their lives. "Both of us felt that something was missing and we couldn't settle down properly to our work," Geoffrey told the "Daily Mirror."

Streamers Out

In the meantime, their father, John W. Hepple, had written to the authorities. "They were wonderfully sympathetic and as soon as it could be managed the boys were brought together," he said.

Now Geoffrey and Raymond, both first-class aircraftmen, sleep in adjoining beds, sit together at mess, and have their pass-outs for the same nights.

At school the boys moved up together from form to form, they sang side by side in the church choir, and, after technical college training, both became printers.

Their home in Granville-terrace was decorated with paper streamers for the returning of the third brother, twenty-seven-year-old Ronald, also in the R.A.F., to spend a leave with the twins.

PORTUGUESE MAY LEAVE EIRE

A statement circulated in Dublin asks citizens of Portugal at present in Eire and requiring repatriation to Portugal to communicate with the Portuguese honorary vice-consul, Mr. Kevin J. Kenney, for registration.

"It is emphasised that owing to current difficulties of transport and the danger of a cessation entirely of such transport immediate registration is essential," the statement adds. "This measure does not apply to Portuguese merchant seamen, who are instructed to remain with their ships under all conditions."

No advices had been received by the British Government from Lisbon on the subject.

THE TEST OF THE STAIRS.

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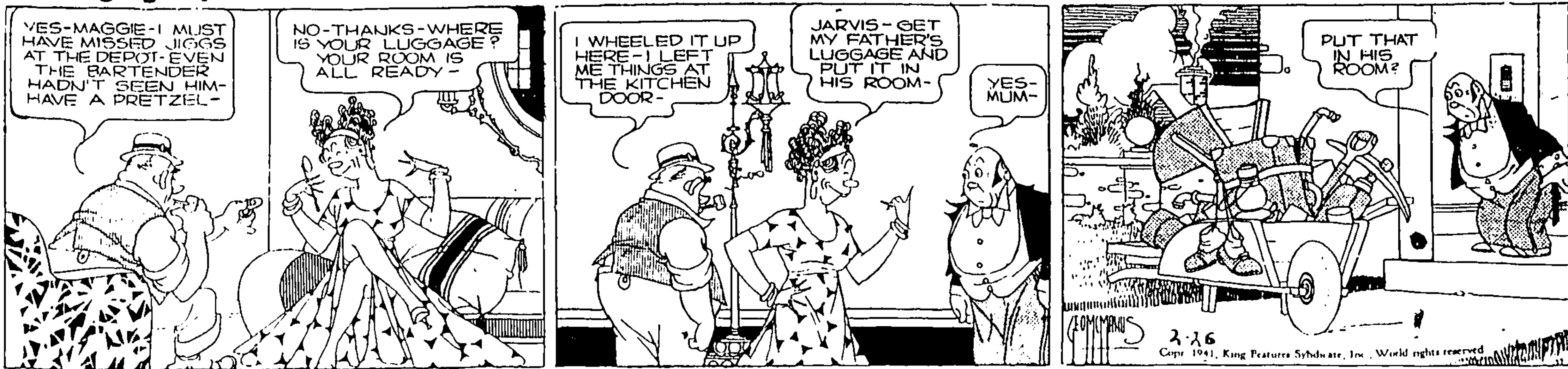
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Bringing Up Father

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A PAGE FOR WOMEN Spring Complexion

Do you realise that new skin is forever forming and old skin is scaling off? Yes, that is so, and during spring this changing of skin seems to be more pronounced. If you want to have a spring complexion, help to banish the old skin particles by a thorough home facial.

First, if your skin is dry, spread heated olive oil over it and massage it well with finger tips. Only skin girls do not need olive oil but they may follow the rest of the treatment.

Take a large bath towel or two, drape them over your head and bend over the wash basin in your bathroom. Turn on the hot water full force and give your face a good ten minute steaming. When you need air, take it and wipe the dripping oil off your face, but bend over again for a few minutes more of pore opening.

Then with a soft bottled complexion brush and a bland soap, work up a good lather such as men do while shaving. Literally scrub your face. Rinse it well with luke warm water and then splash cold water on it. Refrain from squeezing any blemish!

Dry skin ladies will need a powder foundation beneath their make up, but the oil with oily skin should use a lightly astringent skin tonic.

If you have the time after the face scrubbing, apply a masque and let it firm your facial contour and tighten your skin.

You know that sun is the best beauty treatment for skin, so catch an hour or two of sunshine each day if you can.



MYRNA LOY'S lovely skin is always faultless! She like other beauties is quick to change from winter cosmetics to summer ones, as the seasons change.

Get New Cosmetics

Even though you are a thrifty lass, you should throw away your wretched skin aids. Buy fresh beauty preparations—a cleanser,

powder base, a lubricator if you need one, and perhaps a skin tonic. A new cake of soap and

fresh make-up should also be on that shopping list.

Summer aids, as a rule, are lighter in texture than those one uses during the chilly months and then too, creams and lotions lose their efficacy if held onto too long.

Then about frowns—now that summer is here, can't you stop frowning? Smile more and at night, massage away little frown lines before going to bed. You cannot have a summer face unless you have a happy face, whipped up to greater beauty by an occasional facial and daily general care.

earnestly desire to add weight, here are a few suggestions for you to follow religiously.

Science tells us that Vitamin B stimulates one's appetite, so you should begin by taking it in concentrated form or by eating more egg yolks, peas, spinach, whole grains, nuts, beef, and calf's liver, oysters, grapes or yeast tablets. You see an underweight's blood is lacking in iron so you need iron-rich foods as the main part of your diet.

During cold weather you will be assisted by taking cod liver oil to supplement the general lack of Vitamin D which is the sunshine vitamin.

There should be four or five hours between your meals if you take three regular meals a day—an early breakfast is the best rule so as to allow time to create an appetite for lunch. You should eat adequately at each meal, planning your means so you get every day fresh fruit, whole grains, honey, milk and butter and the foods listed above.

Try to walk at least two miles in the open every day in low heeled shoes.

Stop fretting about trivial things—get sound rest when you go to bed.

In no time at all you will gain weight and feel like a million dollars—as the saying goes!



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To Gain Weight Reform Your Habits

We have devoted many days in counselling the overweights, in this space, so to-day we shall devote our words to the problem of the girl who wishes desperately to gain weight.

First of all she must establish a daily routine which consists of:

1—Three meals at regular hours or five smaller meals at regular hours.

2—Drink six to eight glasses of water daily between meals—not with meals.

3—Have from ten to twelve hours sleep each night with bedroom window wide open, heat turned off, covered with warm but lightweight blankets. Heavy layers of blankets drain your vitality.

4—Have a short rest period after each meal.

5—Take mild exercise in the fresh air and sunshine.

6—Establish regular toilet habits and avoid constipation.

Don't Be A Slacker

Personally, I'm rather tired of hearing too-thin girls say "How I want to gain weight—I don't seem to be able to do it." Many of them are not sincere in this but no one can understand why they want to remain skinny and unattractive, when they could be nicely proportioned with ever so much more vitality. It requires

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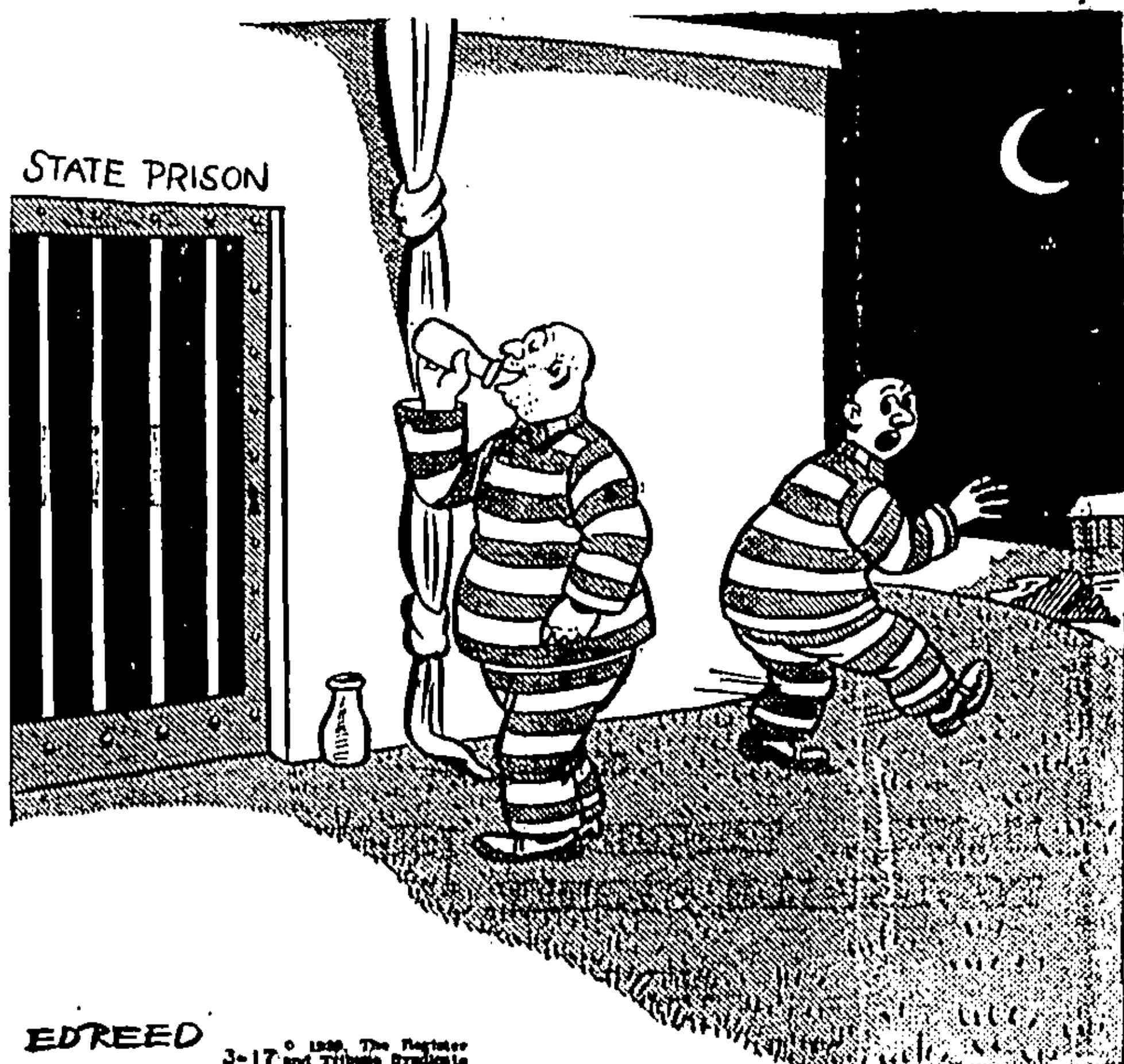
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Comedian—Yes, Mr. Brown.

Leave a Little for Me (both from

film "Yes, Mr. Brown").

Jack Buchanan with Orchestra

Organ—Torch Tunes of the Times.

Intro. I Go for That, Deep Pur-

ple; Gotta Get Some "Shut-

Eye"; Hold Tight, I Promise

You; I Miss You in the

Morning

Torch at the Organ

Vocal Let me give my happiness

to You

Three Wishes (both from "The

Good Companions")

Jessie Matthews (Soprano) with

Orchestra.

Piano—Insect Oddities

Intro. Wedding of an Ant, Lady-

bird Lullaby; Praying Mantis,

Beetle in the Bottle

Billy Mayel.

Comedian I Think I Can (film

"Brewster's Millions").

Jack Buchanan with Orchestra.

100 p.m. Local Time Signal

101 p.m.—A Scottish Programme.

Highland Schottische

Pipes and Drums of the 2nd Bat-

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Roy's Wife o' Alldivalloch (arr

Grave)

The Keel Row (arr. Cross)

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Mentiply (Vocal) with

Piano

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Intro. Roamin' in the Gloamin'.

Fou the Noon, Tobermory.

It's a Nice to Get Up in the

Mornin'. The Safest o' the

Family. She is ma Daisy. I

Love a Lassie. We Parted on

the Shore. Killiecrankie. The

Weddin' o' Sandy McNab.

Stop yer Tickling Jock (Lau-

der and others)

The Border Singers with Orch

1.30 p.m. Reuter and Rugby Press

and Announcements

1.45 p.m.—Mozart—Concerto in A Major

for Clarinet and Orchestra.

1st Mov. Allegro

2nd Mov. Adagio

3rd Mov. Rondo Allegro

Reginald Kell (Clarinet) and the

London Philharmonic Orches-

tra cond. by Dr Sargent.

2.15 p.m.—Close Down

5.45 p.m.—Indian Programme.

6.30 p.m. Closing Local Stock Quota-

tions

6.32 p.m.—A Dance Programme.

Quick-Step. Bluebirds in the Moon-

light (film "Gulliver's Travels")

Fox-Trot I Hear a Dream (film

"Gulliver's Travels")

Jack White and His Collegians

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Waltz Who's taking you home to-

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7.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

7.15 p.m.—London Relay—"Questions

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7.30 p.m.—Folk Music.

English Folk Songs and Dances

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Regimental Band of H.M. Irish

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Creme de Minty—Irish Jig (arr.

Marguerison).

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Tune (arr. Taufstein).

Nicolas Furlong's Jig—Irish Jig

(arr. Miller).

The Pipers' Guild Quartet.

Austrian Peasant Dances (arr.

Schoneherr)

Symphony Orchestra cond. by

Goehr

Happy Swiss Memories (arr. Betz)

Swiss Ensemble.

Clog Dance (Fetras)

Pavillon L'excaut Novelty Orch.

Dancers Are Hit By Bomb

WOMEN DANCERS ripped their evening gowns into bandages for the wounded when a bomb burst on the crowded floor of a London restaurant when the blitz came back to London. A number of people were killed, women survivors were begrimed with black dust, and their immaculately-dressed hair tousled by the blast.

Hardly one of them had escaped minor cuts from splintered glass, which shot like bullets from the mirrored walls and pillars.

But not until rescue workers and nurses arrived would they leave the wrecked dance hall, which had been plunged into

darkness. By the light of their torches rescuers found a grim scene.

Victims In A Heap

The dance floor was crowded when the bomb crashed at an angle and burst amid the gay dancers, many of whom were in uniform.

Dancers, members of the orchestra, waiters, tables, chairs were swept flat as the blast swept through the restaurant like a scythe.

As the dust began to settle, the less seriously injured and members of the staff from the undamaged part of the building found dead and injured heaped together on the dance floor. Musical instruments lay battered and twisted near them.

Helpers from the undamaged kitchens put on gas masks in the blinding dust and improvised tourniquets with serviettes and ice-picks.

Among the first on the scene was the roof-spotter who, perched on the top of the tall building, had an amazing escape when the bomb crashed through the roof a few yards away.

He raced downstairs to the restaurant, and joined in helping to drag the injured from the debris.

Doctors worked until early in the morning tending the injured.

The cabaret girls escaped unhurt. They were in their make-up room, waiting to be called, when the bomb fell.

"The explosion nearly split my ear drums. I crashed to the floor with diners, chairs and tables falling with us," said a waiter.

"The women were wonderful. Everyone helped each other."

Waitresses rushed to their first-aid posts to tend the injured.

A nursing sister, after tending the injured in the restaurant, saw a man rifling her handbag. The stolen articles included a fountain pen and an R.A.F. brooch given her by a pilot who is now a prisoner of war in Germany.

She saw the man and she called, "Drop it." He disappeared. A small sum of money was left intact.



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ANOTHER TITLE FOR MANSON

The South China All Schools' athletic meeting was continued yesterday at Caroline in blazing sunshine under conditions most trying to the participants.

Pte. Manson, the Colony's leading distance runner, won the 1,500 metres final, A. P. Silva the 200 metres final, and Miss June Hall the Ladies' 200 metres final. The 1,500 and 400 metre relays were won by South China and King's College, respectively.

RESULTS

Following were yesterday's results:

OPEN EVENTS

Ladies' Shot Put: 1. Miss Lee Yuen-fun, 2. Lee Suk-ching, 3. Miss Lau Tak-ching. Distance: 3.29 metres.
Ladies' 200 Metres Final: 1. Miss June Hall, 2. Miss Chan Mei-ha, 3. Miss Lee Yuk-mui. Time: 29 secs.
Men's 200 Metres Final: 1. A. P. Silva, 2. Tam Hui-chuen, 3. Habib Khan. Time: 24 secs.
Men's 1,500 Metres Final: 1. Private Manson, 2. Cpl. Sutherland, 3. Leung Nanyick. Time: 4 mins. 41 secs.
Men's High Jump: 1. Olan Daibhan Singh, 2. Fong Ching-choi, 3. Lau Chien-kin. Height: 1.67 metres.
Ladies' Discus Final: 1. Miss Yip Mo-ching, 2. Miss Ko Su-yung, 3. Miss Leung Tak-lun. Distance: 21.6 metres.
Ladies' Long Jump Final: 1. Miss Lee Su-wah, 2. Miss Leung Ching-mui, 3. Miss Chan Mei-ha. Distance: 4.6 metres.
Men's 400 Metres Middle Hurdles: 1. Cheung Chau, 2. Lau Kwok-chung. Time: 66 secs.
Men's 1,500 Metres Relay Race: 1. South China A.A., 2. La Salle College, 3. Royal Scots. Time: 3 mins. 48 secs.
Men's 400 Metres Relay Race: 1. King's College, 2. South China A.A., 3. A.R.P. Club. Time: 40.6 secs.

SCHOOLS RESULTS

Boys' 10,000 Metres "A" Grade: 1. Lee Yuk-fung (Nan Yuen), 2. Lau Sam-chi (Government Junior Institute), 3. Lee Yip-fung (Ling Nam). Time: 39 mins.
Boys' 800 Metres "A" Grade: 1. A. Sandberg (La Salle), 2. Cheung Kiu-tai (Wah Yan), 3. Wong Yue-yung (Ling Nam). Time: 2 mins. 13.4 secs.
Boys' 80 Metres Low Hurdles "B" Grade: 1. Yung Yuk-wan (Ling Nam), 2. Tse Chak-ping (Pui Yung), 3. Lau Man-chau. Time: 11.3 secs.
Boys' "B" Grade Hop, Step and Jump: 1. Wan Kuei-hing (Wah Yan), 2. Cheung Yuen-lun (Ling Nam), 3. Luk Chung-hon (Ling Nam). Time: 12.14 metres.
Girls' 100 Metres "A" Grade: 1. Miss Yvonne Yalle (French Convent), 2. Miss Ng Man-fung (Canton University), 3. Lee Yuk-yin (French Convent). Time: 1 min. 3.5 secs.
Girls' 50 Metres "B" Grade: 1. Miss Ho Mo-hip (Fong Lam), 2. Lau Hui-chu (Fong Lam), 3. Yu Bick-wan (Fong Lam). Time: 7.8 secs.
Boys' 50 Metres "B" Grade: 1. Tan Po-wai (Pui Yung), 2. Lau Sam-tung (Pui Yung), 3. Fong Kwong-tung (Ling Nam). Time: 6.5 secs.
Boys' 200 Metres "A" Grade: 1. A. P. Silva (La Salle), 2. Kwong Pong-ming (Ling Nam), 3. Ho Yau-fai (Pui Yung). Time: 24 secs.
Boys' 200 Metres "B" Grade: 1. Chiu Wun-tai, 2. Yau Hui-ching, 3. Wong Suen-ching. Time: 54 secs.
Boys' 200 Metres "C" Grade: 1. Chan Man-wai (Pui Yung), 2. Cheung Kiu-tai (Ling Nam). Time: 27 secs.
Girls' 200 Metres "C" Grade: 1. Miss Yu Bick-wan (Fong Lam), 2. Miss Ho Mo-hip (Fong Lam), 3. Miss Lau Hui-chu (Ling Yung). Time: 12 secs.
Boys' 110 Metres High Hurdles "A" Grade: 1. Fong Wai (Ling Nam), 2. Lau Wing-kon (Ling Nam), 3. Hui Wing-yiu (Ling Nam). Time: 17.5 secs.
Boys' 400 Metres "A" Grade: 1. Cheung Chau (Kowloon Government



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LOVED TIDINESS---IT KILLED HER

Her love of tidiness cost the life of seven-year-old Rita Maureen Bradley, baby of a family of three children.

In her best pink silk frock she arrived for a party at the home of Patricia Tibbs, also aged seven.

"I must look tidy," she told Patricia.

The mirror was high over the mantelpiece and as Rita clambered on to the fender to look into it, her flimsy ankle-length frock touched the fire and burst into flames.

Rita's thirteen-year-old brother Terence tried to put them out, but Rita was badly burned. She died from blood poisoning and shock.

"Rita took a great interest in her clothes," her mother, Mrs. Bradley, of Sky Peaks Road, Woodford Green, told the "Daily Mirror."

"She always wanted to look her best. The party frock was the pride of her life."

"Loved Dressing Up"

Said Rita's sister Florence: "She loved dressing up to go to parties."

Patricia told the story of her friend's tragic death at the Wallthamstow inquest when a verdict of Accidental death was recorded.

Dr. P. B. Skeels, the coroner, said that the law required a fire guard to be provided to protect children up to the age of seven. In the interests of these two children, one should obviously have been provided.

"Y" SWIMMING GALA

European Y.M.C.A. open their swimming season on Wednesday at 9 p.m. with a programme of eight events, including a 200 Yards free-style relay, in which the Lau Tsui Swimming Union, the Army and the European Y.M.C.A. will compete.
A Water polo match between the Y.M.C.A. and Middlesex senior teams will bring the gala to a conclusion.

WOMAN CENSOR RAIDS ART SHOW

(BY A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

A woman censor swooped three hours before the opening of an exhibition of pictures by firemen artists at the County Hall, London.

Now there are blanks on the wall, with a hastily-painted notice pinned on each "Censored."

Seven pictures were removed by the woman. She took them away with her in a taxi.

One of the pictures has already been published in an illustrated magazine.

The woman censor spent an hour studying the exhibits, and those on which she frowned were four water colours and drawings and three oils.

One of them is said to have been removed because the painting of a fire brigade sub-station also showed the name of a confectioner's shop next door, from which it might have been possible to identify the locality.

All the exhibits are the work of serving firemen and women.

The exhibition is afterwards to be sent to America, where the pictures will be sold, half the proceeds being given to the Firemen's Benevolent Fund.

ANNIVERSARY SUPPER DANCE

Arrangements are being made by the Chinese Australasian Association to hold its Second Anniversary Supper Dance at the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden next Saturday, May 17, at 8 p.m. Tickets at \$5 each may be purchased from the Hong Kong Hotel, St. Francis Hotel, The Sun Company, Sincere Company, Wing On Company, China Emporium, and from the members of the Ladies Committee. Table reservations are now open at the Hong Kong Hotel Reception Office. Proceeds will be in aid of Chinese and British War Relief.

A Ladies Committee is making preparations for an interesting programme and every effort is being made to outshine the successful first anniversary dinner held a year ago.

The Ladies Committee consist in charge of arrangements consist of Mrs. Pauline Yee, Mrs. Henry Ching, Mrs. Alice Chow, Mrs. Violet Chan, Mrs. Mavis Cheung, Mrs. Rose Y. K. Chow, Miss Suey Ming, Mrs. Irene Law and others.

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HIGHLIGHTS OF THE SOFTBALL SEASON UNDER REVIEW

Gerry Gosano Credited With Year's Pitching Gem

By "Grandstand"

BEFORE WE LOWER the curtain on the most successful Softball season, and usher in King Baseball, let us recall some of the hair-breadth plays and split-second masterpieces that have combined to give us a most enjoyable season, and although players and spectators alike have had occasions to hurl fiery barbs at each other, this corner is convinced that venom was never in their hearts. Yessirree, it's been great fun.

Of all the pitching performances, Recreio's ace-hurler Gerry Gosano's clutch pitching in their game with the Cyclones, in which the latter were nosed out by the only run in the tilt, stands out above all other chucking accomplishments during the year.

Johnnie Alvares who drew the opening assignment, was toiling on the slab perfectly for five frames, but cracked up under the pressure, and before he knew it the sacks were choked with none away.

Mentor Ray Noronha immediately yanked Alvares from the hillock and placed Gosano on the mound, with runners dancing on the base paths—a spot to put any pitcher in. But Gosano was equal to the occasion, and even if he was nervous he didn't show it, as he forced next batter, Skelly Razack to foul out on the first pitch for the first erasure. K. M. Rumjahn, the big gun of the Cyclones was the next victim with a pop fly which Gosano swallowed without as much as moving an inch, whilst Markar Jr. was tossed out on a slow roller for the third putout!

A Dazzling "Double"

No less brilliant was the dazzling double play which paved the way for a pennant for St. Joseph's. Coming down the home stretch, the Indians were all out to take the Saints to wind up the series with a triple tie at the wire, the Mohawks were then still in the running.

The Indians needed only two runs to knot the count as they came in their last turn with the bat. Lefty Arculli shuffled up to the plate and drew a free ticket on the gravy train on four pitched balls. Here's the lowdown on that pass—Gonsalves just couldn't pitch to a fork-hander.

"Tarzan" Ismail smacked the next offering good and hard to start a hit and run play, and it seemed that the ball would beat short-stop George Souza as it bounded over second, but somehow Souza clamped his hands on the pill and tossed out Arculli at second.

Ozorio who was covering the bag, pivoted to Stan Leonard at first to complete the twin-erasure. But for that double play the winners would have scored, as Nazarin, next man up, slashed out a sizzler, right through the infield.

How Mohawks Lost

The Mohawks actually lost the league when they were nosed out



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by the Chinese Backslatters B.T. in their first encounter.

The count was knotted at seven all as the last inning rolled up. Tuffy Chinn, who was almost blinded by Lou Leight's slashing drive through the box, was replaced by Earl Wong who fled out for the first out. Then veteran Tommy Chan strolled up to the plate and poled out a round-tripper for the tie-breaker, which eventually proved to be the winning run, as the Mohawks couldn't push a tally across although they had runners on the bases.

That Extra Base

But all was not lost for the Mohawks. They would have clinched their game with the Indians for a play-off against the Saints, but for a landolt base-running. "Doc" Molthen had banged out a long hit to right, and should have been contented with a three-bagger, but was instead nailed at the pay-off station when he attempted to stretch it into a four-bagger. Why he did it, with none away and clutch-hitter Joe Morris coming up will be a subject for Hot Stove leaguers. Anyway, the game dragged on into the ninth before the Mohawks conceded the "heart-breaker".

A Near Thing

The International series also came in for its share of thrilling moments. Indians, who eventually emerged champions, were almost eliminated in the first round when they only managed to nose out the weak Canadian contingent, the game being saved by flashy short-stop Huckjail Kitchell with two, dazzling pickups after the game was booted.

With the last innings coming up, the Canadians were trailing behind in a seven four set-up. Bill Ing drew a pass and was sacrificed to second on Johnnie Fisher's dump. Gas Oliver slashed a burning grounder along third which Sherry Bux booted, and even as the ball was rolling out to left-field, Kitchell darted in to scoop up the pill to toss out Oliver at first for the second erasure, holding Ing at third.

Bernie Johnson banged out a single to score Ing. Bill Woo next slashed out another grass-cutter along third which Bux fumbled, again, and even as Indian fans were groaning, Kitchell dished out the second fielding gem by tossing out Johnson by half a step at second, to end the Canadian threat. Pinky Higgins, Den Cray and Dan Fittinghoff, all known hitters, were coming up next, and a hit would have meant an Indian defeat.

Bad Base-Running

In the ladies series, Great Britain almost pulled off a sensational upset against the strong Chinese squad, when they were nosed out through bone-headed base-running.

Jeannette Yolle who was perched on second with the tying run, with two down, forgot to pick up her dogs as sister Yvonne hoisted one, which centre-fielder Margaret Young dropped, and only made third, where she died as Kitty Bush tapped out a feeble roller.

ARMY SPORTLIGHT

By "SQUADDY"

I understand that at the Annual General Meeting of the Area Sports Board the following suggestions were put before the committee and passed for the forthcoming sporting season.

CROSS COUNTRY

The Area Cross Country Runs will be held alternatively on the Island and the Mainland instead of always being held on the Mainland, and a suitable course will be chosen by the Secretary for Cross Country Runs before the next annual runs.

This is a very good idea and will give the Units stationed on the Island a chance from time to time to the Polo Club ground each year. This also gives them a chance in training for the event as the Units stationed on the Mainland have the advantage of training over the course before the actual runs.

WRESTLING

It was also suggested that the Indian personnel of the Royal Artillery, and the Infantry Units should hold a wrestling tournament amongst themselves to be conducted under their own wrestling rules which are far different from the European rules. They also wrestle in a pit cut out in the ground and not in a ring. This Tournament will be held amongst the Indian troops and run by themselves, but a Secretary will be appointed by the Area Sports Board as for every sport connected with the Area Sports Board.

ATTACHED

PERSONNEL

Middlesex Regt. brought up the point of having members of other Units attached to them such as their Armourers and Fitters, who are always attached to them for a number of years.

They stated that in the Area Novices boxing competition a protest was made against them having a member of the Ordnance Corps attached to them in their Novices boxing team, and they had to withdraw him on the night of the finals.

The committee agreed that for future reference, any person attached to a Large Unit could play for that Unit, providing he was not called upon by his own Unit, or by the Combined Small Units.

THE CHAMPIONS

This past sporting season has been very successful as far as Units are concerned and the following are the results of all sporting activities during the past year.

FOOTBALL
First Division:—Middlesex Regt. (Fourth); Royal Scots (15th).
Second Division:—Royal Engineers (champions); R.A.S.C. (runners-up).
Third Division:—R.A.F. (champions); Signals (runners-up).
Small Units Football Knockout Competition:—Winners:—H.Q. Coy., 1st Bn., The Middlesex Regt.; Runners-up:—"D" Coy., 2nd Royal Scots.

RUGBY
Large Units Rugby League:—Winners:—Royal Engineers; Runners-up:—Combined Royal Artillery.
Small Units Knockout Competition:—Winners:—Royal Engineers; Runners-up:—Royal Scots.
Army Seven-a-Side:—Winners:—Royal Engineers; Runners-up:—Royal Artillery.

CRICKET
Large Units:—Winners:—Royal Engineers; Runners-up:—Combined Small Units.
Small Units:—Winners:—R.A.S.C.; Runners-up:—1st A.A. Regt., R.A.

BOXING
Inter-Unit Novices Competition:—Winners:—Royal Scots; Runners-up:—Middlesex Regt.
Inter-Unit Team Championships:—Winners:—Royal Scots; Runners-up:—Middlesex Regt.

ATHLETICS
Winners:—Middlesex Regt.; Runners-up:—5th Coast Regt., R.A.
TUG-OF-WAR
100 Stone:—Winners:—12th Coast Regt., R.A.

130 Stone:—Winners:—12th Coast Regt., R.A.

BILLIARDS
Garrison Billiards League:—Winners:—R.A.M.C.; Runners-up:—Royal Scots.

Garrison Snooker League:—Winners:—R.A.M.C.; Runners-up:—Royal Engineers Sgts.

Garrison Challenge Cup:—Winners:—R.A.M.C.; Runners-up:—Military Police.

Garrison Soldiers' Club Cup:—Winners:—H.K.V.D.C.; Runners-up:—Royal Corps Signals.

Individual Billiards Champion:—Cpl Harvey (R.A.M.C.).

Individual Snooker Champion:—Cpl Harvey (R.A.M.C.).

HOCKEY
Large Units League:—Winners:—Middlesex Regt.

Small Units Knockout:—Winners:—5th Bn., R.A.; Runners-up:—H.K.S. R.A.

Cotony Six-a-Side:—Winners:—Middlesex Regt.

CROSS COUNTRY RUNS
British Units Run:—Winners:—Middlesex Regt.; Runners-up:—Royal Scots.

Indian Units Run:—Winners:—H.K.S. R.A.; Runners-up:—2nd 14th Punjab Regt.

ROWING
Winners of Trophies:—The "Brown Cup":—24th Coast Bty, R.A.

The "Chaplains' Cup":—Carrier Platoon, Royal Scots.

The "Ah King Cup":—22nd (F) Coy., Royal Engineers.

SWIMMING
Winners:—Combined Small Units; Runners-up:—Middlesex Regt.

WATER POLO
Large Units Knockout Competition:—Combined Small Units.

Small Units Knockout Competition:—Hong Kong Signal Coy.

ATHLETICS
The athletic meeting between Combined Royal Artillery and Combined Middlesex and the Rajputs resulted in a win for Royal Artillery by 38 points to 25.

The finest performance of the afternoon was that of Pte. Lever who won three of the Field events and bettered two of the Command Athletic meeting throws, the Javelin which he threw 173ft. 11½ins. and the Discus which he threw 116ft. 1in. He also won throwing the hammer with 104ft. 3ins.

The first event of the day was that of the Pole vault which the Royal Artillery won with a combined height of 19ft. 6ins. and the Middlesex/Rajputs 19ft.

Royal Artillery won the Hurdles and the last two hurdlers, Capt. Skipwith, R.A., and Lieut. Pollock, Rajputs, were a picture to watch.

Royal Artillery also won the 2 Miles Relay in the fine time of 8mins. 42secs.

Throwing the discus was won by Middlesex/Rajputs with a combined length of 218ft. 11ins. and the Royal Artillery 103ft. 10½ins.

Individual throw; Pte. Lever 116ft. 1in.

This was a better throw than his throw for the Command Athletic meeting when he threw the discus 115ft. 7ins.

Royal Artillery were winners of the 880yds. relay and won by 10 lengths.

Throwing the Javelin was won by the combined Royal Artillery who won with 323' 9" to 318' 2".

Lever was the best individual with 173ft. 11½ins. beating the command throw by 7ft. 6ins.

Royal Artillery won the 1 Mile team race and the Three Miles team race.

They also won the 1 Mile relay, the weight, Long Jump, High Jump.

The Combined Middlesex and Rajputs won the 440yds relay which was the best race of the afternoon.

K.C.C. TENNIS TRIAL

A tennis League trial was held at Kowloon Cricket Club yesterday. There was a fairly large turn-out among those participating being:—E. C. Fincher, A. Crawford, E. F. Fincher, G. C. Burnett, S. A. Gray, F. R. Zimmern, A. E. P. Guest, R. S. Capell, N. A. E. Mackay, R. T. Broadbridge, A. L. Fisher, N. Bebbington, H. G. Eardley, H. Crabb, D. Leavelyn and A. Zimmern.

JOCKEYS' & OWNERS' RECORDS

Following is how the leading jockeys and owners have fared at the Valley this year:

| JOCKEYS | | | | |
|------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | Un. |
| D. Black | 17 | 6 | 16 | 43 |
| L. B. Chao | 13 | 14 | 6 | 29 |
| H. C. Pih | 10 | 14 | 8 | 42 |
| P. Y. T. Wei | 10 | 7 | 10 | 35 |
| V. V. Needa | 9 | 12 | 3 | 39 |
| H. J. A. Hearne | 6 | 6 | 7 | 39 |
| *C. B. Moller | 6 | 5 | 4 | 13 |
| W. H. S. Davis | 5 | 8 | 5 | 34 |
| *F. Noodt | 5 | 3 | 2 | 21 |
| W. G. Poy | 4 | 4 | 3 | 34 |
| Ip Kuf ying | 4 | 1 | 2 | 10 |
| S. W. Pan | 4 | 0 | 1 | 20 |
| R. M. Wood | 4 | 0 | 0 | 23 |
| H. S. Chang | 3 | 5 | 5 | 35 |
| *M. M. Sokoloff | 2 | 6 | 4 | 15 |
| D. H. S. Craven | 2 | 4 | 2 | 7 |
| S. C. Liang | 2 | 2 | 4 | 28 |
| B. L. Tao | 2 | 1 | 6 | 43 |
| P. P. Botelho | 2 | 0 | 7 | 39 |
| W. Yui | 2 | 0 | 1 | 2 |
| S. W. Lee | 1 | 3 | 2 | 40 |
| C. Treverton | 1 | 2 | 2 | 37 |
| A. D. Copplin | 1 | 2 | 1 | 5 |
| S. W. Tang | 1 | 1 | 5 | 15 |
| R. K. C. Chiu | 1 | 1 | 0 | 34 |
| B. A. Proulx | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| T. W. Chattey | 1 | 0 | 2 | 6 |
| *H. J. Holden | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Li Shiu-fai | 1 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| Chiu Ki-fan | 0 | 3 | 1 | 23 |
| Hoo Pak-ming | 0 | 1 | 1 | 37 |
| *G. Pollock | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| J. N. da Silva | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| *D. G. Woo | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| S. L. Sung | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 |
| L. J. A. Fielden | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Y. K. Tu | 0 | 0 | 1 | 8 |
| Tang Man-wa | 0 | 0 | 1 | 14 |
| C. L. Gregory | 0 | 0 | 1 | 17 |
| F. A. Sequira | 0 | 0 | 1 | 22 |
| M. F. L. Haymes | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| J. Barrow | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| H. C. Chan | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| C. C. Chan | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| G. W. Cooper | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| Lo Kwong-to | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| Chanson Feng | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 |
| Yeung Wing-kwai | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 |
| K. I. Ip | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 |
| Ho Hong-ping | 0 | 0 | 0 | 19 |
| S. L. Yuen | 0 | 0 | 0 | 55 |

* Visiting jockeys for the Annual Race Meeting who have since returned North.

| OWNERS | | | |
|--------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| | 1st | 2nd | 3rd |
| T. K. L. | 10 | 9 | 7 |
| Cire | 10 | 5 | 4 |
| Lan | 8 | 9 | 8 |
| Eve | 7 | 8 | 2 |
| S. W. Lee | 6 | 4 | 3 |
| Necan | 4 | 2 | 1 |
| Marber | 3 | 7 | 9 |
| Eu Tong-sen | 3 | 4 | 3 |
| Mrs. Chuang Ho-yan | 3 | 1 | 1 |
| Li Po-chun | 3 | 1 | 1 |
| Mrs. A. E. Grasett | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Lee Bros. | 2 | 5 | 1 |
| G. Tinson | 2 | 1 | 4 |
| Cholce | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| Salbad the Sailor | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| V. M. Grayburn | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Golf | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Penn & Tsol | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Electricity | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Lee Chi-choh | 1 | 3 | 3 |
| E. S. K. | 1 | 3 | 2 |
| C. H. | 1 | 3 | 0 |
| Dynasty | 1 | 3 | 0 |
| Diamonds | 1 | 3 | 0 |
| Kong Bros. | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| C. C. F. | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Billy | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Culture | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Why | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| Gredmaka | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Collene | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Miss Li Po-chun | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| S. K. | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Kia Ora | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Wai Shiu-pak | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Vilaja | 1 | 0 | 5 |
| L. W. S. | 1 | 0 | 8 |
| Toots | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| F. A. Sutton | 1 | 0 | 2 |

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NEW CHAMPION

A new World Middleweight boxing champion was crowned on Friday night when Billy Soose, former collegiate star and triple amateur champion, out-pointed Ken Overlin, the holder, over 15 rounds.

Overlin amassed a good lead on points and appeared to win at least eight rounds, and the decision was unpopular. Reuter.

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Following shows how much the respective winners secured for their stables (names in brackets) at the Valley since January 1.

Amber II (Highlight)
 Harmony star (O. W. Lee)
 Snow White (Mok Kon-
 sang)
 King Kong (Cocoa)
 Portrush (H. Leigh)
 King's Welcome (Dynasty)
 Dashing Beauty (Cal)
 Ratio Decidendi (Lee Bros.)
 Graceful View (Lan)
 Spellylight (Clire)
 Iron Belle (Iron)
 Gay Fox (Eu Tung-sen)
 Eve of Reason (Eve)
 Eve of Deception (Eve) ...
 Corvette (Cladsheba)
 Pumpernickel (T.L.)
 Lancashire Lass (Necan)
 Battle (New Line)
 Bendigo (Mrs. J. H. Tag-
 gart)
 Locust Standi (Lee Bros.)
 Royal Wedding Eve (W. T.
 Stanton)
 Devonian (Lady North-
 cote)
 Amusement Tax (Taxpayer)
 Vitamin M (S.S.)
 Raconteur (Manetta)
 Casino (Bridge)
 Hugger (Marber)
 Lovely Star (Kong Bros.)
 Seventy Six (Numerals)
 Potentate (Eu Tong sen)
 Rose Jane (Eu Tong sen)
 Jennifer (Quartermaster)
 Tobaccoish (Sikit)

| | |
|-----|--------------------------------|
| 600 | Musketeer (Li Chi Choh) |
| 500 | Rose Emily (Eu Tong Sen) |
| | Triumphant Day (Chau Bros.) |
| 600 | Strathalbyn (Macgregor) .. |
| 600 | Gold Rod .. |
| 600 | Sydney Diamond (Diamonds) |
| 600 | Hopeful Star (Kong Bros.) |
| 600 | National Reform (Why) .. |
| 600 | Spring Shine (T. W. Lee) |
| 550 | Rivertide (Peter and Paul) |
| 550 | Burford (Quartermaster) .. |
| 550 | Seal River (Gredmaka) .. |
| 525 | Brown Derby (Cocoa) .. |
| 500 | A Good Time (I.M.M.F.) .. |
| 500 | Colorado Star (Ellandee) .. |
| 500 | Lovely View (Lan) .. |
| 500 | Daylight (Cire, Jr.) .. |
| 500 | Röwan (Ash) .. |
| | West Lake (S. W. Lee) .. |
| 550 | Cockleroi (Necan) .. |
| 400 | Griffel (John Peel) .. |
| | Surprise Again (Sewell) |
| 400 | Lilliber (Marber) .. |
| | Emergency Unit (H. Leigh) |
| 350 | Bredon (Tinson) .. |
| 350 | Jobor (Marber) .. |
| 300 | Double Finesse .. |
| 300 | Sea Jay (S. T. Williamson) |
| 300 | Ozark (T.K.L.) .. |
| 300 | Odin (T.K.L.) .. |
| 300 | Dignitas (T. and W.) .. |
| 300 | Crack Shot (S. W. Lee) |
| 300 | Sunlight View (Lan) .. |
| 300 | Celtic Star (S.L.K.) .. |
| 300 | Expansion Time (Li Po-chun) .. |

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|-------------------|---|---|---|--------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| H. Leigh | 1 | 0 | 1 | Quartermaster | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| P. & L. | 1 | 0 | 1 | G. A. Harriman | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Pearstun | 1 | 0 | 1 | Mok Kon-sang | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Shields & Stanton | 1 | 0 | 1 | Circ, Jnr. | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| S. T. Williamson | 1 | 0 | 1 | Lady Northcote | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Numerale | 1 | 0 | 1 | New Line | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Y. L. | 1 | 0 | 1 | Li Shiu-fai | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Highlight | 1 | 0 | 0 | T. W. Lee | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Chan K. | 1 | 0 | 0 | Cladsheba | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| C. W. K. | 1 | 0 | 0 | Peter & Paul | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Cal | 1 | 0 | 0 | T. L. | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Yeung Bros. | 1 | 0 | 0 | W. T. Stanton | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Weetoo | 1 | 0 | 0 | I. L. | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Hollandia | 1 | 0 | 0 | S. S. | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| P. M. Hoo | 1 | 0 | 0 | Manetta | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| C. L. Gregory | 1 | 0 | 0 | Solemnly | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Kwok Yee-chan | 1 | 0 | 0 | I. M. M. F. | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Treverton | 1 | 0 | 0 | Ash | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Mrs. B. Hall | 1 | 0 | 0 | Mrs. J. T. Taggart | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| S. W. | 1 | 0 | 0 | John Peel | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Chanoi | 1 | 0 | 0 | S. L. K. | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Wayfoong | 1 | 0 | 0 | Chan Bros. | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Grake | 1 | 0 | 0 | L. T. F. | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| L. & Y. | 1 | 0 | 0 | T. & W. | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Mcnestoy | 1 | 0 | 0 | Taxpayer | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Ellandee | 0 | 5 | 1 | Sikit | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Iron | 0 | 2 | 3 | J. F. MacGregor | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| C. H. Chan | 0 | 2 | 3 | G. W. Sewell | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Lucky | 0 | 2 | 1 | | | | |
| Chau & Chau | 0 | 2 | 0 | | | | |
| | | | | | 121 | 117 | 120 |

FORMIDABLY HEAVY R.A.F. RAID ON HAMBURG

Great Fire Roars Up Altogether Beyond Control

R.A.F. STRAFING IN LIBYA

Attacks on enemy-occupied aerodromes and other military objectives in Iraq, and bombing of similar targets in other theatres of the Middle East, were reported in an R.A.F. Middle East communique yesterday.

The communique stated: Cyrenaica Derna aerodrome, upon which a considerable number of enemy aircraft were dispersed, was bombed by aircraft of the R.A.F. both during the night of May 9/10 and on Saturday.

At Jedabaya some large Junkers troop-carrying aircraft were bombed and damaged.

Our fighters maintained active patrols and one Messerschmidt 109 was destroyed on Gageald aerodrome as it was beginning to take off.

A large number of enemy aircraft were on the aerodrome. These were machine-gunned by our fighters.

Iraq: Our aircraft continue to attack rebel-occupied aerodromes and other military objectives.

Barracks, aerodrome buildings and a transport park had more than 12 direct hits on them.

Abyssinia: Both fighter and bomber aircraft of the South

German Night Fighters Shot Down

THE ATTACK ON HAMBURG ON SATURDAY NIGHT WAS AS EFFECTIVE AS IT WAS FIERCE, STATES THE AIR MINISTRY NEWS SERVICE, AND BOMBER PILOTS REPORT DAMAGE THROUGHOUT THE CITY.

Under a clear sky and full moon, which showed up the ground in detail, the R.A.F. swept through a barrage to drop load after heavy load of high explosives and incendiaries.

Once again the industrial quarters and the whole spread of the docks were hammered and left blazing.

UNDER A STORM OF INCENDIARIES MORE AND MORE FIRES CAME TO LIFE ELSEWHERE IN THE CITY.

Industrial plant and factories were easy targets for the R.A.F. bomb-aimers, and sticks of explosives fell across goods yards and railway tracks and yet more fires were added to the destruction in the submarine building yards.

African Air Force continued to support the troops in rounding up the remains of the Italian East African army.

From all operations under review two aircraft are missing.

Out Of Control

In one district a great fire roared up, one of many which pilots declared appeared altogether beyond control.

IT WAS NOT ONLY A NIGHT OF FORMIDABLE BOMBING BUT ALSO OF MARKED SUCCESS AGAINST THE MANY FIGHTERS WHICH THE ENEMY PUT UP TO HELP THE GROUND DEFENCES.

Four enemy aircraft are known to have been destroyed and at least two severely damaged by British bombers. — Reuter.

IBN SAUD DECLINES TO HELP

King Ibn Saud of the Hedjaz has informed the Iraqi usurper, Raschid Ali, that he is unable to offer any kind of assistance to the anti-British movement in Iraq, according to reports reaching Cairo yesterday.

He is also said to have refused to give protection to Raschid Ali himself.

Other reports say a personal envoy sent by Raschid Ali to the Iranian capital, Teheran, is understood to have met with no success.

OFFICIAL IRANIAN ATTITUDE TO THE EVENTS IN IRAQ IS ONE OF COMPLETE DISAPPROVAL.—REUTER.

THE GOOD EARTH IN BETWEEN

The British Ambassador to China, Sir Archibald Clark-Kerr, and the British Embassy staff were sheltering in a dug-out when several bombs landed directly above them during a Japanese raid on Chungking, it is now revealed.

All were unhurt.—Reuter.

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HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT BADLY

VICHY SELL-OUT TO JAPAN

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

It is reliably learned in London that Indo-China is now a virtual Japanese dependency as a result of the economic treaty signed on May 6 and the political treaty of May 9, supplementing the treaty of September 23, against which Washington protested.

Vichy is pledged not to participate in any agreement contrary to Japanese exploitation.

Chief Japanese products are exempted from customs duties. Japanese industry is admitted on an equal basis and Japanese investments are on the same footing as French, including agricultural and mining.

PERIODIC INDUSTRIAL CONFERENCES, IN WHICH JAPAN HAS DERIDING CONTROL, WILL REGULATE ECONOMIC QUESTIONS, WHILE FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS HENCEFORTH WILL BE CARRIED OUT IN YEN.

German technical missions are hurrying what is a potential Axis arsenal. Fifty experts left Berlin for Indo-China on May 8.—International News Service.

ROOSEVELT TO DECLARE POLICY?

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Washington is buzzing with reports that President Roosevelt will make one of the year's most momentous foreign policy pronouncements at the Pan-American Union meeting on Wednesday night.

Those who have seen the President's draft speech declare it will deal with matters "far more important than the convoy question." The speech, which will be delivered at 11 p.m. (Washington time), will be broadcast on short wave to Europe and Latin America.—International News Service.

NAZI TROOPS ARRIVE IN SYRIA

French quarters in London state that some German troops from the Dodecanese have landed in Syria.—International News Service.

HITLER TO MEET STALIN ON BLACK SEA?

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

According to the London "Sunday Despatch" yesterday Hitler and Stalin will meet on board a ship in the Black Sea in a few weeks with Hitler threatening a German attack on the Ukraine unless he gets Russian cooperation.

Stalin is believed to be ready to appease Hitler, the newspaper adds.—International News Service.

HITLER CHOOSES BAD TIME

It is practically unknown in the military history of Egypt for campaigns to be conducted during the months of May, June and July, and even August.

A HEAT RECORD WAS SET UP ON SATURDAY IN NORTH AFRICA OF FROM 118 TO 122 DEGREES FAHRENHEIT.

Though limits are imposed by the heat, the British troops are continuing to harass the enemy.

A large party of Italians working near the perimeter of the Tobruk area under the protection of armoured fighting vehicles were attacked by British troops and Bren-gun carriers.

Before the Italian armoured vehicles could start their engines their working party had been machine-gunned and numbers killed, wounded and taken prisoner.

The morale of the Italians in Abyssinia is greatly affected by the constant strafing and the activity of Patriot forces.—Reuter.

ITALIANS OCCUPY SOME ISLANDS

An Italian communique states that in the Aegean Sea Italian troops have occupied the isles of Zea, Syphonos, Syria and Micono, thus completing the occupation of the Cyclades Archipelago.—Reuter.

BUDAPEST TALE FACTORY ACTIVE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Budapest, main distributing centre for German propaganda abroad, is still putting out reports that large numbers of German troops are arriving in Iraq.—International News Service.

DAMAGED IN BLITZ

Westminster Abbey And British Museum Also Hit

IT WAS DISCLOSED IN LONDON LAST NIGHT THAT THE HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT, WESTMINSTER ABBEY AND THE BRITISH MUSEUM WERE DAMAGED IN SATURDAY NIGHT'S FIRE RAID ON LONDON.

The world-famed clock "Big Ben," whose chimes have been heard in all corners of the earth through the B.B.C., was also hit. High explosives and incendiaries fell on all three places, while Westminster Abbey, opposite, was also set on fire.

In the House of Commons the debating chamber has been wrecked, and it is feared it can never be used again until it has been rebuilt.

British Museum

The British Museum was set alight by a shower of incendiaries which burnt through the roof and set fire to the back of the building.

Fire watchers on the roof dealt with many incendiaries but others burnt through before they could be tackled.

Fortunately most of the treasures had been removed to safety and damage was comparatively light.—Reuter.

In the House of Lords, the superintendent is understood to have been killed while assisting fire fighters' operations, and three others were killed.

Other members of the staff who worked right through the night, extinguishing flames and salvaging valuable records and relics, had remarkable escapes when bombs fell.

Some bombs also smashed the famous Members' Lobby which had already been hit in previous raids and was shoved up by elaborate scaffolding.

What some consider the most magnificent roof in the world, that of Westminster Hall, with its soaring arches and sweeping beams of oak, was pierced by bombs and damage done to the interior.

The hall was started by William Rufus in 1018. It is thought to be the largest hall in the world with a roof unsupported by pillars.

Big Ben Hit

"Big Ben," although hit by high explosive, is still chiming the strokes. Only slight damage was done to part of the masonry just above the clock.

The Deanery of Westminster Abbey, which is one of the best examples of a medieval house in England, has been destroyed.

THE FABRICS OF THE ABBEY IS INTACT, THOUGH THE ROOF OF THE LOWER SQUARE TOWER OF THE CENTRE OF THE BUILDING HAS FALLEN IN.

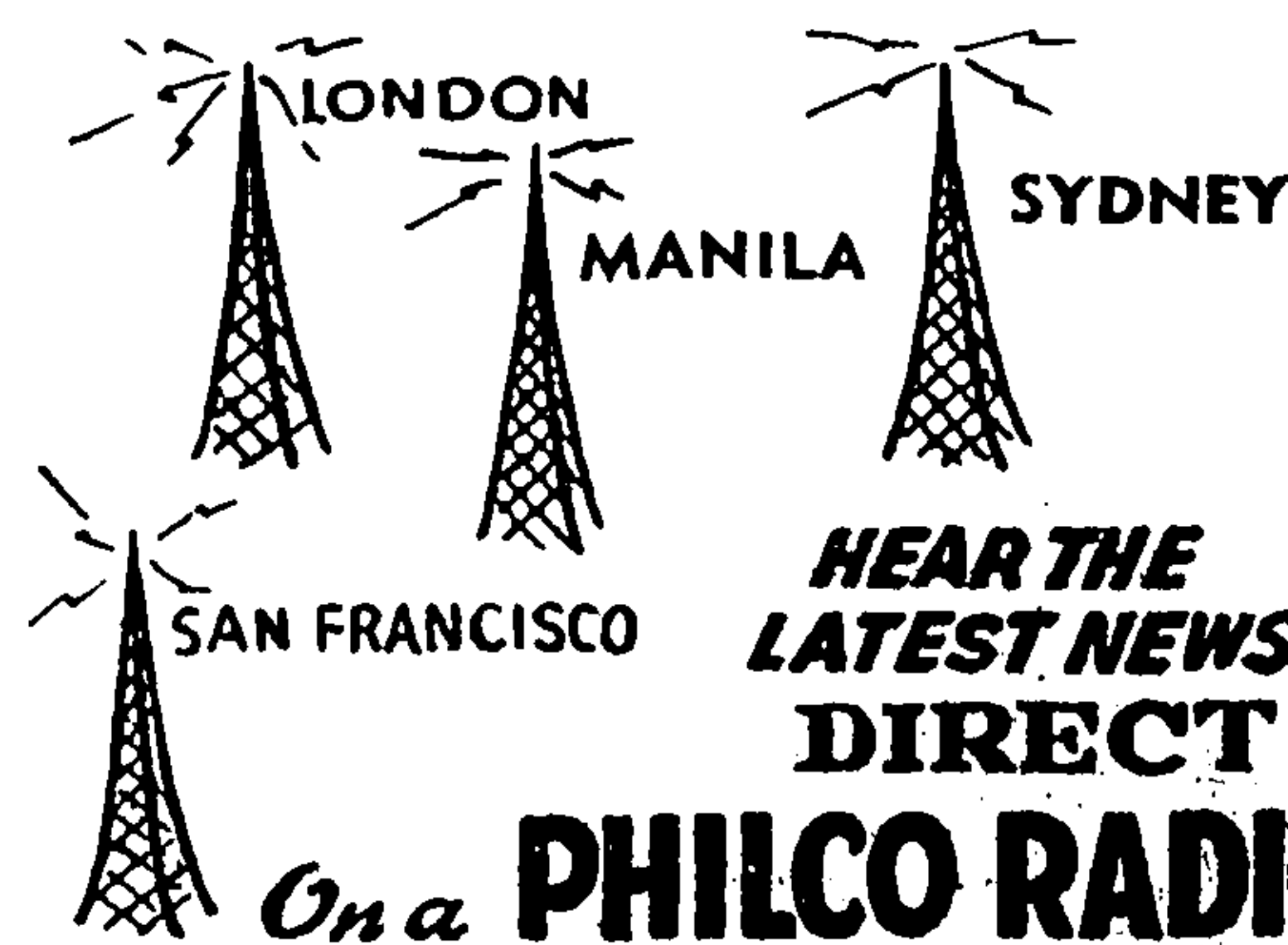
The most historic parts of the Abbey were uninjured, including the part where the Royal tombs are situated.

"Most of the archives, usually the important part of abbey buildings, have survived," said an architect. "The fact that the 19th century roof has been destroyed is an irreparable thing, although the Abbey is now open to the public."

DE BRINON THREAT TO U.S.

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

FERNAND DE BRINON, PARIS REPRESENTATIVE OF THE VICHY GOVERNMENT, ANNOUNCED, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL GERMAN NEWS AGENCY, THAT THE FRENCH NAVY WILL PROTECT FRENCH POSSESSIONS, ESPECIALLY DAKAR, "AGAINST POSSIBLE UNITED STATES AGGRESSION, AND, SHOULD THE UNITED STATES ENTER THE WAR, EUROPE WILL HAVE TO ORGANISE A COMMON DEFENCE."—INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE.



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REALISTIC ARMY MANOEUVRES

German Panzer Division Hurlled Into The Sea Great New Tanks In Action On Salisbury Plain

(By Reuter's Special Correspondent With The Southern Command)

BRITISH HEAVY TANKS, ROLLING IN HUNDREDS ACROSS SALISBURY PLAIN, SWEEPED "A GERMAN PANZER DIVISION" INTO THE SEA AND RELENTLESSLY ROLLED UP AN ENEMY INVADING FORCE.

That is what happened during a four-day exercise in which one of Britain's armoured divisions and 50,000 troops have just taken part.

In theory, at any rate, all the invading force was wiped out, largely thanks to a flanking movement undertaken by British tanks whose commander, using the same tactics so successful in Libya, gave the enemy no rest but sat on top of them mile after mile as they made their withdrawal.

To make the exercise as realistic as possible famous British cavalry regiments, now mechanised, played the part of a panzer division, basing its operations on what is known of Nazi methods.

Li-Gen Alexander, G.O.C., Southern Command, told me the whole exercise was designed to test how speedily and effectively reserve mobile troops can be brought into battle.

A full infantry division was called in from headquarters seven hours after the German "landing." By dawn their advance units were contacting the enemy and by eleven o'clock in the morning two days later the invaders were vanquished.

Mobile Radio

Army Cooperation planes, hundreds of mobile radio cars, despatch riders and field telephones, all were utilised for communications, whose speed and accuracy were astonishing.

When a motor-cyclist was captured with a clue showing where the German headquarters was, it was only a matter of minutes before bombers were strafing the place.

General Sir Alan Brooke, G.O.C., Home Forces, toured the battle area, as did Major-General Martel, Commanding the Royal Armoured Corps.

I RODE IN ONE OF THE LATEST HEAVY TANKS NOW MASS PRODUCED, WHICH INSIDE IS AN INFERNO OF NOISE, BUT FROM WITHOUT LOOKS AS SMOOTH AND SINISTER AS A BATTLE-CRUISER. — REUTER.

WOMAN INJURED IN ATTACK ON JUNK

TSUI TSAT, 39, FISHERMAN, HAS INFORMED THE POLICE, THAT WHILE SAILING ON BOARD A FISHING BOAT OFF MIRS BAY, ABOUT THREE MILES SOUTH-WEST OF NAM O, ON FRIDAY AFTERNOON, HE WAS ATTACKED BY A PARTY OF ARMED ROBBERS ON BOARD A LARGE JUNK.

The robbers opened fire on his junk, and wounded his wife, So Sze-mul, 40. The robbers' boat came alongside and removed a cargo of salt fish.

He arrived early Saturday morning in Tai-po, and his wife was treated in Tai-po Public Dispensary, with injuries to her left thigh.

GEN. SIKORSKI FLIES ATLANTIC IN NEW BOMBER

General Sikorski, the Polish Prime Minister, flew back to Britain from the United States on Saturday in one of the American-made bombers which are regularly ferried across the Atlantic to Britain. — Reuter.

Germans Call It Reprisal

A German High Command communique says the German raid on London on Saturday night was a reprisal for the British bombing of "residential quarters" of various German towns, including Berlin, during the last few nights.

The communique says a "fairly strong enemy force" bombed Hamburg on Saturday night, causing numerous fires and much destruction by high explosive and incendiary bombs. There were dead and injured among the civilian population.

"A few planes succeeded in reaching the outskirts of Berlin. Night fighters shot down eight British planes."

Referring to North Africa, the Nazi communique says that in the Tobruk area military operations have been restricted to artillery activity on both sides. — Reuter.

CANNOT WAIT TILL WAR ENDS

The Archbishop of Canterbury, addressing the second Sword of the Spirit meeting in London yesterday, said: "The first aim of this tremendous war we are now engaged in is the destruction of this powerful and evil force and the liberation of nations which are now held in bondage."

"It is unthinkable that after the war men should not set themselves to conceive an order of civilisation better than that which is now being destroyed before their eyes."

"We cannot and dare not wait until the war is over. It will help us in the immediate struggle if we can see beyond the distress and darkness some promise of the coming of a better day."

It was plain that men had lost their way and they had trusted in themselves and neglected God, and the wrong use of science and machines had subordinated man to the machine. — Reuter.

U.S. BANS ITALIAN "CHARITIES"

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The State Department has revoked the permits and barred the further activities of two Italian organisations soliciting funds in the United States.

The Federation of Italian World War Veterans in the U.S.A., Incorporated, New York, and the Ladies Auxiliary Providence branch of the Federation of Italian World War Veterans in the United States, are the bodies concerned.

The Department says: "The two bodies are closely identified with the Italian Government and must be regarded as organisations acting for or on behalf of that Government." — International News Service.

NEW JAPANESE NAVAL CHIEF

Rear-Admiral Kumeichi Hiroaka has been appointed commander of Japanese naval forces in the Shanghai area, succeeding Rear-Admiral Kobayashi, who returned to Tokyo yesterday to serve on the Naval Ministry. — Reuter.



GRIM TOKEN. Enthusiasts driving nails in Hitler's coffin. A picture in connection with Croydon's War Weapons Week. — (Copyright, Fox.)

UNIT WITHOUT PRIVATES

Canadian Military Police, most of them drawn from the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, are playing an important part in manoeuvres which the Canadian Army are carrying out in preparation for the defence of Britain against invasion.

Setting out in advance on motor-cycles, military police erect specially designed signs and dimmed lights at all major intersections where they maintain traffic control posts night and day.

The security and mobility of thousands of troops and hundreds of vehicles may depend upon the efficiency of their control.

In actual operations the military police must be frontline troops, moving ahead of the main formations, plotting the way and seeing that units are guided to the right locations.

They are also responsible for taking charge of prisoners of war.

The Canadian military police company now in England is completely self-contained and carries its own food, petrol, ammunition blankets and other equipment.

It is the only unit in the Canadian Army which has no privates. Every man has at least one stripe. — British Wireless.

FIVE-YEAR PLAN FOR WOOL

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

A five-year plan for increasing wool production in North-West China is being set in motion by the Ministry of Economics in Chungking.

The aim is 420,000 piculs of wool annually. — Our Own Correspondent.

IBN SAUD DECLINES TO HELP

King Ibn Saud of the Hedjaz has informed the Iraqi usurper, Raschid Ali, that he is unable to offer any kind of assistance to the anti-British movement in Iraq, according to reports reaching Cairo yesterday.

He is also said to have refused to give protection to Raschid Ali himself.

Other reports say a personal envoy sent by Raschid Ali to the Iranian capital, Teheran, is understood to have met with no success.

OFFICIAL IRANIAN ATTITUDE TO THE EVENTS IN IRAQ IS ONE OF COMPLETE DISAPPROVAL. — REUTER.

THE GOOD EARTH IN BETWEEN

The British Ambassador to China, Sir Archibald Clark-Kerr, and the British Embassy staff were sheltering in a dug-out when several bombs landed directly above them during a Japanese raid on Chungking. It is now revealed. All were unhurt. — Reuter.

JOY-RIDE IN AMBULANCE

A fifteen-year-old boy admitted at Lambeth Juvenile Court that he took an ambulance from a garage where he had been employed, drove it round Brixton until it ran out of petrol, and then went to garages trying to get petrol to return. He was ordered to pay 5s.

PLAN TO CLOSE UP PHILIPPINE LEAKAGE Blockade Measure To Be Extended

AS A NATIONAL defence measure the U.S. War Department will shortly ask Congress for legislation authorising the application of the export licensing control system to the Philippines to prevent the shipment of chrome, manganese, hemp and coconut oil to Germany and to curb shipments to Russia and Japan.

Considerable quantities of these supplies are going to Vladivostok, and the U.S. Government is convinced most of them reach Germany.

As soon as the system is applied, the Government will clamp down a very strict control on all important exports and will not grant licences for any potential war supplies which there is reason to believe are intended for Germany.

Russian and Japanese licences will be granted strictly on a horse-trading basis. If Russia and Japan periodically grant the United States economic and political favours, limited supplies will be released.

Britain has long been eager to plug this leak in the blockade, and the State Department in Washington collaborated with the War Department in reaching the decision.

DANGER TO DEFENCE OF PANAMA

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

On the ground that they must be considered a danger to the defence of the Panama Canal, a far-reaching campaign to wipe out German and Italian air-line companies from North and South America has been started by the United States, according to Washington reports.

Efforts are being made to replace Axis airline companies by American companies and American capital.

It is stated that the Under-Secretary of State, Mr. Sumner Welles, has the handling of the matter, and that so far, Colombia and Peru, have decided to withdraw licences for German airline companies to operate, while three other countries are expected to do likewise.

South American pilots will be given all facilities to study in the United States.—International News Service.

CAROL IN BERMUDA

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Ex-King Carol of Rumania and Madame Lupescu have found a haven in the New World.

They arrived at Hamilton (Bermuda) on Saturday in the American liner "Excambion," which steamed into harbour with the Rumanian flag flying from the bow.

Hundreds of Bermudans, as well as officials, greeted Carol.—International News Service.

YELLOW RIVER FIGHTING

Field despatches from southern Shansi province reveal heavy fighting on the north bank of the Yellow River, where large Japanese forces are launching a big drive in several columns on Chinese forces holding out in the Chungtao Mountains.

Much importance is attached to the outcome of the battle since the Japanese are apparently making a determined attempt to oust the Chinese from the mountains, thereby dominating the north bank of the Yellow River, which would enable the Japanese either to march westward towards Sian, capital of Shansi province, or push southwards across the river to cut the Lunghai Railway in the vicinity of Loyang.

It is learned that in addition large Chinese forces are concentrated within the Chungtao Mountains.

Chinese forces are also stationed on the south bank of the Yellow River to meet any eventuality.—Reuter.

RESCUER TARZAN— FIREMAN

Several women were rescued from a blazing house by a fireman who was driven by flames from his burning fire escape.

"He had to hang on to a parapet with a woman in his arms—like Tarzan of the Apes—while his comrades put out the fire on the escape," said an eye-witness.

"If ever a man deserved half a dozen George Medals, he does."

Charles Simkovits, aged forty-five, was burned to death in the blaze. It occurred at a five-storey apartment building at Ampthill-square, London, N.W.

Simkovits was a Yugoslav and a tailor. He was unmarried and lived alone in a back room on the top floor of the house.

Mrs. Winifred Upton, twenty-eight, and her one-year-old son, Patrick John Upton, Mrs. Hilda Neale, twenty-nine, and Mrs. Helen Woodward were rescued by



El Adem was the largest aerodrome in Libya. Thanks to the bombing by the Royal Air Force the remains of more than 87 Italian aeroplanes were found unserviceable when the British took the place. Photo shows the results of the Royal Air Force bombing on one of the workshops at El Adem. (Copyright, Fox).

HITLER RUNNING INTO DIPLOMATIC HITCHES

NEW DIPLOMATIC SUCCESSES CONFIDENTLY ANTICIPATED BY BERLIN HAVE NOT MATERIALISED, ACCORDING TO REPORTS FROM THE NAZI CAPITAL RECEIVED IN ZURICH YESTERDAY.

"A clear decision" by Vichy has not yet been taken on the resumption of collaboration along the lines desired by Germany, says the Berlin correspondent of the "Basler Nachrichten."

The return to Turkey of the German Ambassador, Franz von Papen, is considered a sign that Turkey developments are far from being a fait accompli, as recently hinted by the "Berliner Boersen Zeitung," organ of the Wilhelmstrasse.

THE NEW APPOINTMENTS IN SPAIN HAVE BEEN REGARDED AS A SIGN THAT THE LATENT OPPOSITION BETWEEN GENERAL FRANCO AND SENOR SUNER, HIS BROTHER-IN-LAW AND FOREIGN MINISTER, OVER SPAIN'S POLICY IS TAKING SHAPE.

The Wilhelmstrasse insists, of course, that General Franco's move is exclusively an internal matter.

Finally, there is also the hitch in the frontier negotiations in Zagreb between Ciano, Italian Foreign Minister, and Pavellitch, head of Germany's puppet state of Croatia, which is reported by the Budapest correspondent of the "Basler Nachrichten."—Reuter.

the fire brigade and taken to hospital suffering from shock.

First Night Indoors

Mrs. Upton's condition was later stated to be serious. It was the first night she had stayed in the house during an Alert.

A woman living in an adjoining flat said that when a fireman brought Mrs. Upton and her baby down the escape their clothes were on fire.

Station Officer Morgan was burned on the face and hands and he also had to be taken to hospital.

AIR BADGES FOR SCOUTS

If any of our R.A.F. lads make a forced landing they're likely to be met by a small boy who will—

Name three possible landing grounds in the neighbourhood. Offer to picket the plane. Improvise chocks. Give information of landmarks.

The knowing youngster will be a member of the newly-formed Air Scout branch of the Boy Scouts.

The Air Scout must learn such information to win one of the three new proficiency badges and the hat badge.

Here are some of the things boys will have to do to earn them: Air Apprentice.—Know how to conduct himself safely when on an aerodrome or near a plane; be of practical help to a pilot by indicating wind direction, by picketing, or by using chocks; understand the importance of keeping unauthorised people away from a plane; know what constitutes a reasonable landing ground, and name three.

Air Mechanic.—Have a technical knowledge of planes and their engines. Make a glider, weighing not less than 1lb. which will glide at least 100 yards.

Air Navigator.—Keep a daily record of the weather for two months; understand an air map, and compass; plot a route, allowing for a specified angle of drift.

GERMAN WOUNDED IN BALKAN BATTLES

German wounded in Bulgaria number 6,000, and in Rumania 10,000, according to estimates checked by direct evidence, says an Istanbul message to the Independent French Agency in London yesterday quoted by Reuter.

THETIS WIDOWS' CLAIMS

An appeal arising out of the Thetis submarine disaster is expected to be heard in the High Court.

Writs claiming damages have been issued on behalf of the widows of some of the men who died. Mr. H. J. Wallington, K. C., has been briefed. The appeal concerns preliminary points raised.

The Thetis sank in Liverpool Bay on June 1, 1930. There were only four survivors of the 103 men on board. The submarine, which was raised and renamed Thunderbolt, has since done good work in the war.

GENERAL MOTORS STRIKE ISSUES

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The negotiations to end the threatened General Motors strike have been postponed till tomorrow. The negotiations are still in the collective bargaining stage.—International News Service.

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Mr. Winston Churchill inspecting raid damage during a recent tour of the country. (Copyright, Fox).

IMPERIAL FORCES CLOSING IN ON AMBA ALAGI

WHILE A STRONG South African and Patriot force is marching from the south on Amba Alagi, 9,000-foot high natural fortress in northern Abyssinia, where some 30,000 Italians are estimated to be at bay, British troops slowly but surely are closing in on them from the north.

The British forces are preparing for a determined attack on the fortress, the fall of which is inevitable.

Operations are taking place in the rarified mountain atmosphere in this region, which demands great stamina and endurance on the part of the attacking force.

Indians engaged in an attack on an outlying hill, saw white flags appear on its summit.

ADVANCING TO ACCEPT THE SURRENDER OF THE HEIGHT THEY WERE ALLOWED TO APPROACH WITHIN GRENADE RANGE, WHEN THE ITALIANS HURLED SCORES OF BOMBS, CAUSING SOME CASUALTIES AMONG THE INDIANS.

But the Indians continued to advance and successfully took the hill. — Reuter.

INDIAN OCEAN ENCOUNTER

When the German liner "Goburg" and the Norwegian tanker "Ketty Brovig" were intercepted in the Indian Ocean they made off in different directions.

The Australian cruiser Canberra and the New Zealand cruiser Leander immediately shelled and set them on fire.

The crews then abandoned ship and were picked up by the cruisers.

The above details were announced by Mr. W. M. Hughes, Australian Navy Minister, in Sydney yesterday. — Reuter.

SINGAPORE CONFERENCE

MR. CLARENCE GAUSS, NEWLY-APPOINTED UNITED STATES AMBASSADOR TO CHUNGKING ARRIVED IN SHANGHAI THIS MORNING ON BOARD THE "PRESIDENT GARFIELD."

Mr. Gauss was said to have told Japanese newsmen that military and Government officials of the Philippines, Australia, the N.E.I., Burma and Chungking will meet in Singapore soon for an important conference.

He added, however, he did not know whether he would attend it. — Reuter.

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CONQUERED BUT NOT SUBDUED

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The Belgian Embassy in Washington declares that the struggle for the liberation of Belgium continues, though the King is a prisoner of war and the country is ruled by a German military governor.

"As in 1914 Belgium is conquered but not subdued." — International News Service.

Offer By Haile Selassie

Emperor Haile Selassie has sent a message to Mr. Churchill expressing gratitude and sympathy at the kindness shown to him by the British people and the support of British armed forces.

Haile Selassie said he was determined to see Ethiopia contribute further to the victory and he asked Mr. Churchill to thank the British forces for the successful Abyssinian campaign.

Mr. Churchill replied expressing the deep and universal satisfaction with which the people of Britain and the Empire heard of the return of the Emperor to his capital. — Reuter.

WHAT NAZI VICTORY WOULD MEAN

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

A U.S. Department of Commerce report predicts that a German victory would compel the United States to surrender some of its Democratic institutions in favour of totalitarian methods.

A triumphant Nazi state in Europe would force America to adopt a national policy of self-sufficiency involving such drastic economic measures as "might seriously affect some of our fundamental political institutions."

The Department warned that the U.S. Government might be impelled, in order to combat the Reich for survival on the world economic front, to engage in international cartel trade methods similar to those of Germany, and indirect opposition to the reciprocal trade policy which is the pillar of President Roosevelt's administration. — International News Service.

MUTT AND IFF



PLAYS ORGAN AT SHELTERS WHILE BOMBS FALL

BOMBS AND GUNS do not silence Tom Walker's barrel organ. When air-raid sirens scream in the West End he moves his organ to the nearest shelter, parks it outside the entrance and stands there playing for those inside.

This is Tom's way of helping the war effort. He was too badly wounded in the last war to do more. The barrel organ is his means of livelihood.

"Some people are kind of nervous, etc.," said Tom. "And a bit of music helps to cheer 'em up in the shelter and makes 'em forget their worries."

"The folks seem to appreciate it and the warden, too. Many a time they come out and ask me to go right on playing. So I just try to ease their troubles a bit."

Tom spent two years in a German prison in a salt mine. He still suffers agonies from the effect of wounds kept open for two years by the action of the salt.

Was Bombed Out

"It was hell in there," he told the "Daily Mirror." "Nothing but salt everywhere. Our food

tasted of it. The water we drank tasted of it. Life was just one long thirst."

Only the other day Tom was bombed out of his little East End home.

But not even that misfortune can get him down.

"I just plays myself a tune on the old organ," says he, "and cheers myself up."

BEAVERBROOK'S THANKS

Lord Beaverbrook, Minister of State, has thanked contributors to aircraft funds, which at the end of April totalled £13,000,000.

Of this sum 40 per cent. was contributed by the colonies and dominions, 35 per cent. by Britain, 15 per cent. by India and 10 per cent. by the Netherlands colonies. —Reuter.

ARMY'S CANTEENS TO BE CUT

Army canteens are to be fewer, their hours of opening will be strictly limited, and they must not serve heavy meals.

These are the main points of a plan being considered by the authorities to avoid waste of food.

The problem is to give soldiers comfortable canteens without encouraging consumption of food which would reduce the supplies available for civilians, explained Major-General H. Williams, Director-General of Army Welfare, speaking in London.

We must not make our foods in canteens too lavish or the men will not eat their rations and there will be waste," he said.

New Eating Law

Not long ago there was brought into force the order prohibiting "luxury eating."

It is now an offence punishable by fine or imprisonment or both, to serve or eat a meal consisting of more than a main dish and a subsidiary dish or two subsidiary dishes.

Under the order it will be impossible to have a meal which contains more than one of the following dishes: Fish, meat, poultry and game, or eggs.

The butter allowance will be doubled. Those who wish it can have 4 oz. of butter instead of 2oz., but the allowance of fats—butter, margarine and cooking fat—still remains at a maximum of 8oz.

NO DEMOB. MUDDLE

(BY A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

Plans for demobilising the Army at the end of the war are already being considered by the War Office.

Key men urgently needed in the reconstruction of Britain will be released first.

Men wondering what is to happen to them when the war ends will have some of their anxieties relieved by the scheme, which is based on a census of peace time jobs.

The census, which has begun throughout Britain and Northern Ireland, asks about the soldier's normal civil occupation type of work, home address and the department in which he was engaged.

His employer's name, address and business are also required.

Sir Frank Sanderson, M.P., who first suggested in Parliament that no man should be discharged from the Army unless he had work to go to told me:

"Obviously if every soldier were demobbed at a certain hour at the end of the war every industry would be flooded with applications for employment. This must be avoided. There was chaos over this matter at the end of the last war. It must not happen again."

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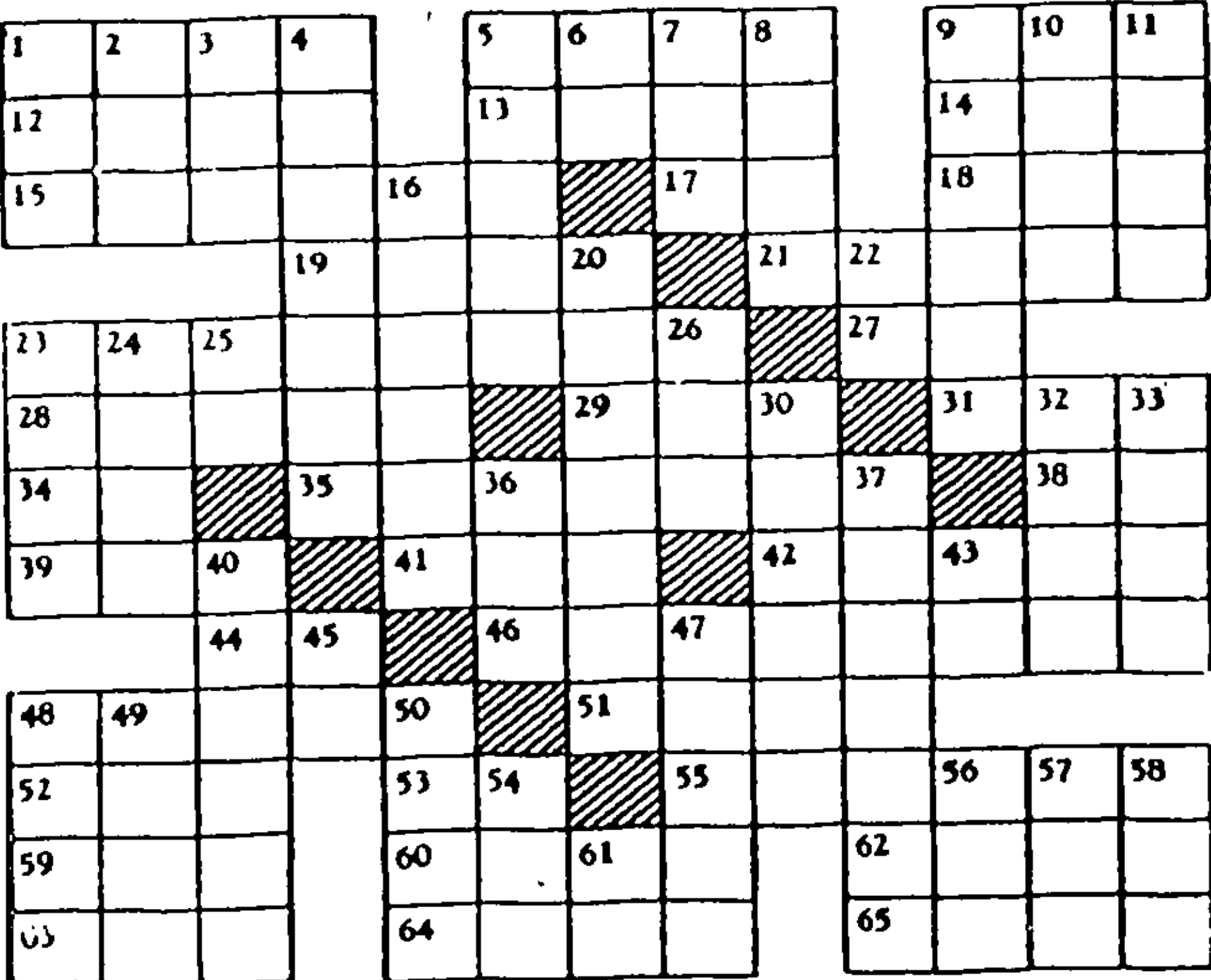
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- 5 To close violently
- 9 Became
- 12 Stringed instrument
- 13 Ripped
- 14 Final
- 15 Each
- 17 Pronoun
- 18 Possessive pronoun
- 19 Turkish regiment
- 21 Brief
- 23 Batted meal and water
- 27 Symbol for silver
- 28 To take away
- 29 To bow
- 31 Period of time
- 34 Toward
- 35 Stated on oath
- 38 Land measure
- 39 Before
- 41 Title of respect
- 42 Old English ballad
- 44 Not any
- 46 Expires

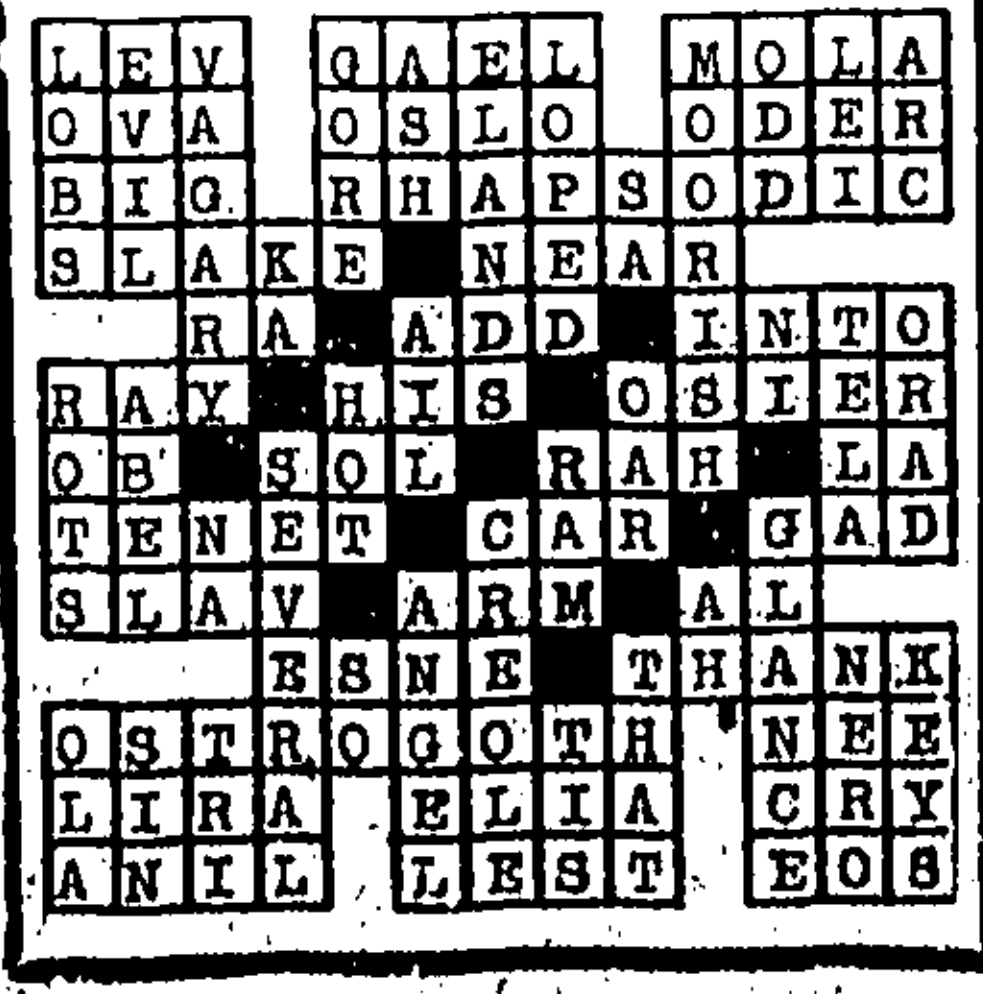
VERTICAL

- 1 Exclamation of triumph
- 2 To knock
- 3 Prefix: three
- 4 Pierced
- 5 Place
- 6 Observe!
- 7 To supply with weapons
- 8 To encounter

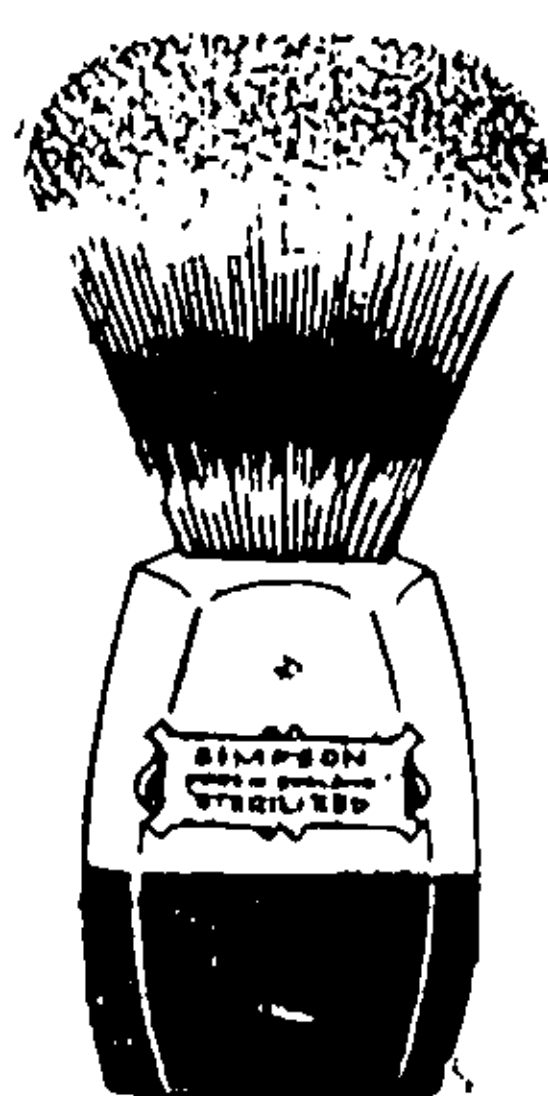
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- 10 Musical composition
- 11 To fatigue
- 16 Poetic regions
- 20 Overlooks
- 22 Babylonian deity
- 23 Top of the head
- 24 Aroma
- 25 Note of scale
- 26 Dawn
- 30 To mock
- 32 To rage
- 33 War god
- 36 Fruit seed
- 37 Forsakes
- 40 To necessitate
- 43 What?
- 45 Exclamation of surprise
- 47 Stair
- 48 Colloquial: father
- 49 Image
- 50 River in Belgium
- 54 Crude metal
- 56 Electrified particle
- 57 Devoured
- 58 Confederate general
- 61 Symbol for samarium

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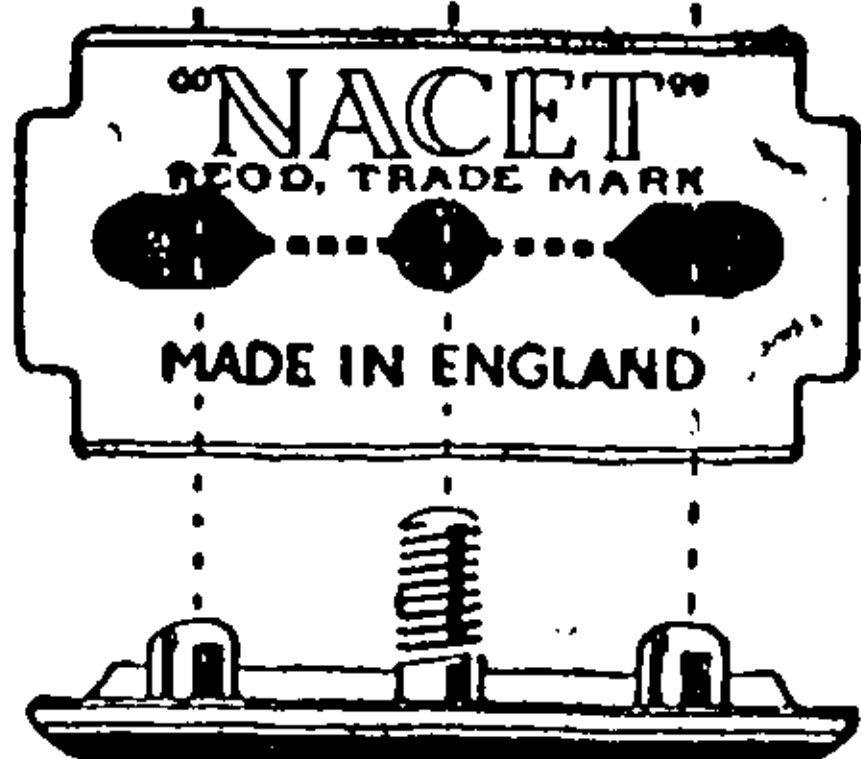
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SELF DECEPTION QUALITIES CAUSE OF

FAILURE OF ITALIAN AIR FORCE

IT IS DOUBTFUL TO-DAY whether Italy could muster 1,000 military aircraft which could lift themselves off the ground. If this number could be found, they would be outmoded planes of Spanish war vintage, useful only where there is no modern air opposition, writes the Rome correspondent of the "Christian Science Monitor." There are no new Italian plane models of any military significance.

The so-called picchiatelli, or dive bombers, mentioned in Rome communiques are German Stukas under an Italian name. Neutral observers in Rome have not been able to trace freshly produced machines even of the older types in any quantity. It is probable that the Italian aircraft industry is manufacturing parts for German planes.

A pilot receives his military brevet in Italy after approximately 100 hours of flying. This compares with an average of 250 hours in the United States.

During this period everything is done to spare the plane and spoil the pilot. Gasoline and equipment are more precious than gold in Italy, and planes are harder to replace than men. The pilot's cross-country training consists usually of one carefully conducted hop in which he simply follows his instructor. He has had perhaps two night flights, which consisted of taking the plane off the field, circling round within a carefully restricted area, and setting it down again.

This is the reverse of the American system, which turns out a self-reliant veteran of much night navigation and of many cross-country hops. "On his own," the Italian pilot out of school and "ready for service" has none of that night-flying technique which is basic to modern bombing. He has little or no expert knowledge of navigation. He is trained only for formation flying which is dangerous business to-day, and is too nearly helpless when by himself. Instead of being experienced, he is green and is expected to gain his experience in battle.

"I was in a panic," confessed a young aviator to a friend of mine, "the first time I flew over Malta. It wasn't because of the British planes or the anti-aircraft fire. I was afraid to lose sight of my squadron leader. If I had, I should have been unable to find my way back alone!"

Improper Training

Improper training showed up fatally when serious air operations were attempted. Lacking ability as navigators, Italian aviators were incapable of establishing accurate, methodical reconnaissance over the Mediterranean of which they boasted complete air control. British convoys were located, too often by hit-or-miss methods, only to be lost again. This would be ground for dismissal in other air forces.

Pilots were not trained in surface naval strategy, which is essential to supporting a sea action. Nor were they taught to recognise ships. This caused one of the more ironic incidents. In the first battle of the Ionian Sea, Italian planes rushed to the rescue and furiously bombed — their own ships. They simply didn't recognise them. Moreover, they did not scrupulously maintain radio communications as they should have done. They did not hear the frantic radio signals sent up by their enraged comrades below.

Happily for the Italians the aviators' aim was satisfactorily inaccurate. Nothing was hit.

Pilots, going into battle for the first time, were amazed at their own technical incompetence. "Why didn't someone tell us?" groaned one of them after realising how poor his training had been. The answer is simple: "It isn't good Fascism to tell. Loyalty is placed above all other Fascist virtues; and it is disloyal to criticise. Officials in Italy are expected to make glowing reports to their superiors saying that under Fascism, all is well."

One Type Of Plane

Consider the facts relative to the Italian planes. Their designs date from the period of the Span-

ish war. Only one type used by the Air Force was designed more recently than from three to five years ago. It was not a success and few were used. Most of the ships actually were produced more than three years ago. Three years is an aeon in modern air history.

The Air Force therefore was entirely based on conclusions drawn from the Spanish war experience. These conclusions were erroneous. The Italians then had no heavy gun opposition in the air. They had no effective anti-aircraft fire to stop their low flying. The bombing they did was "area bombing" rather than precision bombing. Strategy in the Spanish war was chiefly concerned with dog-fighting in which Italian pilots excelled, whereas to-day, precision flying and good gunnery are the rule.

Immediately after the Spanish war, to-day's Italian Air Force was produced in a Fascist scaled vacuum. Italian engineers were convinced they had the best planes. Therefore they spent their time trying to keep their secrets from the outside world. They ignored developments elsewhere.

I know of recent cases where Italian research engineers were labouring on problems long since solved in the United States or Germany, with the results openly published in American and German trade magazines. These magazines were not subscribed to nor read in Italy. It was unpatriotic and unfascist to do so. Once again, the Party's rule against self-criticism barred the door to technical efficiency.

The illusion of a good air force was heightened by several exploits which made the Italians quite self-assured. Italo Balbo's famous mass flight from Italy to the United States was executed superbly. But Marshal Balbo took the pick of the Air Force. He drilled his men for six solid months for this one flight.

Special Models

Italian aeroplanes captured several world records for height, distance, and weight carrying. But these were made by specially "suped up" planes. It didn't occur to anyone to incorporate the lessons learned into the regular Air Force.

Meanwhile, the Italian bomb-sight was very poor. Target practice had been far too casual, for Italy couldn't afford to "waste" ammunition on practice. When Italian aviators found themselves held at great heights by the British naval and land anti-aircraft fire, so that they couldn't swoop down to lay their bombs near the ground as in the Spanish War, they were helpless. The bombs were scattered far and wide.

The British tested this, and in early autumn found the Italian attacking power so feeble that they impudently ran the Queen Mary and the new Mauretania through the Sicilian Channel right under the Italian bomb racks, without damage.

When the Italians finally met Hurricanes and Spitfires in Libya, it was, as one of them bluntly said, "outlandish."

"What could I do," he groaned, "with my two forward guns against the British eight? Or with my 400 kilometres an hour against the British 600?" His Fiat plane wasn't as good as the old British Gloucesters which had been re-

FATHER HEAD OF HOUSE

Father is still the head of the family, in the eyes of the United States Tax Board, whether he works or not.

Mr. Martin Gebelein, of Philadelphia, has lost his claim for tax exemption on the ground that he is the head of a family.

He said he lived with his mother and father, who is retired, and was the only member of the household working.

The Board ruled that the father was head of the family. — Reuter.

ired and sent to Egypt to be turned out to pasture.

Returned By Train!

As for the Italian planes which went north to attack London, they had a hard time of it. The old wooden struts in some of the planes swelled, sprung the wings and fuselage, and splintered under the British guns. The fabric rotted in the damp weather and gave way. Motors were not accustomed to starting under the protracted cold.

Some of the aviators admitted that they had returned to Italy on the train. They simply couldn't get their planes off the ground. Perhaps half the planes failed to return.

Italian aviators are brave, frequently even recklessly so. They continued to fight against terrific odds. But their bravery takes the form of a dashing, personal gallantry, unsupported by discipline and continuous hard work. Without meaning to be unkind, an expert critic in Rome said: "They all want the glory of soaring through the air, without any of the drudgery of mastering the technique of their trade."

FLAMING ARROWS IN AFRICA

East African forces operating against Azozo, the big Italian military base in Western Abyssinia, are using with advantage a new and terrifying weapon.

It is an incendiary arrow and is used by a small group of irregular levies — bowmen picked from a Sudanese tribe famed for archery.

The arrow can be shot at ranges up to 300 yards, and the most terrifying element about it is its silence. Bowmen surround by night groups of grass huts which form the Italian camp — the Azozo garrison are almost all housed in such huts — and let loose a hail of arrows.

The soft thud of their impact is inaudible to the enemy. A few seconds later their incendiary mixture flares up, and the Italian quarters are ablaze before they are aware of the attack.

The arrow was devised by a young Sudanese official, a former Rugger "Blue."

THREE TIMES TO RESCUE

The Royal National Lifeboat Institution has made awards of over £22 to its crew at Amble, Northumberland, who went out three times in fourteen hours to a Sunderland steamer which had gone ashore, in a rough sea, and rescued her crew of forty-two.

CHINA MAIL

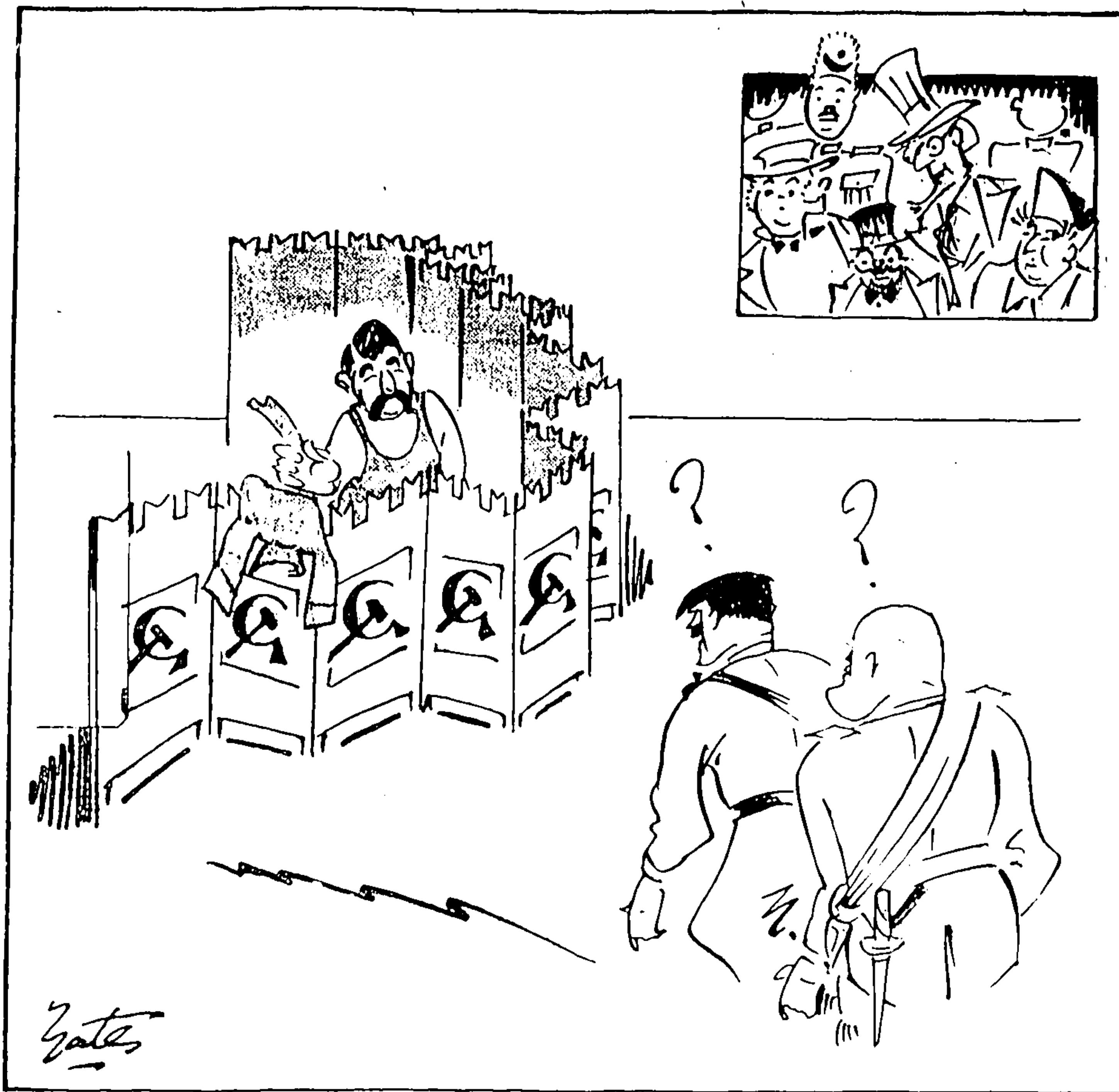
WINDSOR HOUSE

HITLER'S VERSAILLES

Before the deceased ceased to struggle, two well-known ambulance chasers bobbed up in Vienna to perform another autopsy. This time the victim was Yugoslavia, and the operators rushed to the morgue with indecent haste because the fight over the remains threatened to become embarrassing. Under cover of the engrossing military operations in Greece, four claimants advanced in force over the prostrate body of Yugoslavia, each staking off a coveted slice of territory. The Italians dashed up the Adriatic coast from the Albanian border to Fiume to gain possession of Dalmatia. The Bulgarians marched into Macedonia, establishing themselves in the South Serbian town of Skopje. The Hungarians and Rumanians drew up in battle array, ready to fight over the rich lands of the Yugoslav Banat, once ruled by Hungary. Meantime the frontiers of the separate state of Croatia have not been finally determined and Saturday's reports indicate that large sections of the scattered Serb army are still alive and kicking in the centre of the country.

There is danger for Hitler in all these disputes and new divisions. A particularly ugly situation is developing in Rumania, where Antonescu, prodded by the inextinguishable Iron Guard, is publicly repudiating the Vienna Diktat. This must have been considered in Vienna, for while the quarrelsome Balkans have to take anything they get, and like it, the master of the house must be infuriated by the incessant disorder reigning among the conquered but apparently unconquerable peoples.

The Fuehrer has sketched a new map of Southeast Europe. His Versailles will be announced instead of negotiated. It will be the "Diktat" of one man instead of a compromise worked out by many-minded commissions hearing all sides. And it will settle nothing, satisfy nobody, and contain no provision for appeal or repeal. Of all the strait-jackets ever devised, it will be the most inflexible, the most inhumane, and—as we see already in Rumania and Hungary—the most futile.



QUICK-CHANGE ARTIST

Night Fighter

A number of young men are lined up at dusk on an R.A.F. station for a new kind of duty.

They are the men who can see in the dark, specially selected as night fliers because of their keen eyesight.

Come with me to a night-fighter station and let us try to pierce the gloom with the pilot who flies into arctic temperatures at 50 below zero to hunt Nazi pilots.

A Typical Log

Here is a typical log of a lone pilot on night patrol:

16.00 hours (4 p.m.) Warned for duty.

Dressed and strolled over to the Mess for hot meal of ham and eggs and lots of tea at 17.00 hours.

18.00 hours. On the tarmac. Cloud is heavy and low. Not so good for pre-dawn landings.

18.30 hours. Taxi out, keeping an eye on each other to avoid collision.

18.45 hours. My turn to take-off. Wind would be S.W. to-night, making me taxi a couple of miles first. Anyway, it warms the engine, and my A.G. (air gunner) doesn't seem to mind being bumped along.

18.57 hours—Take-off at last. Engine running sweetly. How the instrument fingers seem to dance when 50 of them jump about like marionettes just at the take-off in darkness. This ghostly lighting on the dashboard makes me look all weird and green.

19.20 hours—That's better. I always feel happier when I've got beyond the first 20,000 feet. With lots of room below there's lots of time to think of what to do in emergency. I love altitude. I wonder how high we can take the "crate" to-night.

19.30 hours—A.G. behind seems alert and unusually communicative. I can hear him talking to himself. Must be to relieve the boredom. Perhaps he'll be too busy soon to be bored.

21.30 hours—32,000 feet, and 50 below. Phew! I've never been so high, but it's warm enough in here. We must have crossed the coast. I'll turn back now and keep up and down this strip.

Feel like a copper on his beat at night with "nothing to report, nobody drowned and nothing to laugh at at all" as little Albert said.

22.00 hours—Time to be going down. The petrol's running low. But suspect I can see a faint red glow below. Wish I could hear engines of other aircraft above the noise of mine. Then I could follow a lot easier.

That glow's an engine exhaust, I'll bet.

Yes, there he is. Now for it. I'll make her touch 415 m.p.h. to get after him. She'll take it.

See, we are racing down.

I gave her the gun all right. Swung her round for A.G. to get a broadside to port with all his four guns.

Knew it was a Hun, because no other R.A.F. aircraft in this sector.

This job depends on good organisation in ground and air if the system is to work. It worked this time.

We got a JU 88 all right. Well done A.G.

It's worth going down through the muck to find the aerodrome with the first one in the bag on the first patrol to-night.

22.33 hours. Landed O.K.

Boulton Paul Defiants are the machines they generally use for this job.

It was the Defiant which, when first tried out, shot down 60 enemy

By William Courtenay

aircraft in three days in France without loss to themselves.

Many people have wondered why the Defiant was so suddenly withdrawn from service after its good work in France and why a veil of secrecy has been drawn round it ever since.

The enemy would like to know this, too. Only this much can be said.

These aircraft were designed as night fighters. When they were tried out in daytime in France they did exceptionally well, particularly as they were "a surprise packet."

Lessons were learnt which have been incorporated in these aircraft, and now they are back at the task for which they were designed.

The Blenheim fighter-bomber is also used for night fighting. Its long range, gun turret amidships and crew of three make it admirable for night interception, and its speed of 300 m.p.h. is superior to that of any enemy bomber which it may meet.

There are other types, too, new types.

Let us take a look at the pilots—Britain's new "fly-by-nights". They are hand-picked youngsters, fresh and alert, with the eye of an eagle and the pouncing power of a hawk.

Only the young and very fit are selected for night-flying tasks aboard the fighters. It is a new technique.

The main problem of the night fighter may be summed up in one sentence. He must see his enemy or he cannot hope to close with him and bring him down.

Seeing in the dark—that is the essence of the problem. And all the scientific devices and aerial

divining rods which are now being tried out to probe the skies to find the bomber cannot be fully exploited unless they lead to illumination.

The first D.F.C. has been awarded for night interception. Flight-Lieut. John Cunningham—"cat's-eyes" Cunningham—he is called because of his uncanny night vision chased a raider for 10 minutes off the South coast and got him.

He sighted another above him and with well-aimed tracer bullets found his billet.

How did he see his enemy in the dark? It was the tell-tale flames of the exhaust gases from the motors which betrayed the foe. These exhaust flames are not visible by day.

Giant Task

Clever devices are resorted to to try to conceal them at night, but they cannot be hidden altogether.

Let us go over the difficulties which face our night fighters and see the magnitude of their task.

First, the aerodrome itself is shrouded in darkness except for the flare path hurriedly lighted by mechanics.

The Defiant flies into its allotted part of the sky. Straining eyes watch for the white breakers which betray the presence of water, though even these are difficult to detect from high altitude.

He turns to search his area when he judges the raider will have entered it.

It is at this stage that the pilot prays for the vision of the cat. He peers into the gloom of darkness for some sign of engine exhaust glow or for the sinister silhouette of the intruder.

Once this appears he is able to manoeuvre into position for his gunner to open fire.

The patrol and vigil are short for the Defiant does not carry a big fuel supply. Groping down in the darkness to find the dim glow of the flare path is yet an ordeal to be faced when the hours of sentry-go are over.

If bad weather closes in on the aerodrome while the pilot is "upstairs" his task is doubly dangerous.

But with this system of co-ordination and cooperation and with intensive training at the technique of night fighting excellent results are now being achieved.

From the experience the technique is being perfected.

As new devices come into operation there is the certain promise that in time the R.A.F. will grasp the menace of the roving night raiders and by the infliction of heavy casualties make them fear the night as already the "Luftwaffe" fears the day.

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FORMATION OF NORTH CHINA NAZI PARTY

WHEN ONE READS about party warfare in China, one generally hears only of the Kuomintang and Communist parties. It may not, therefore, be realised that China also possesses the inestimable blessing of a Nazi party, which is not entirely unimportant, says the Peiping correspondent of the "North China Daily News."

The Chinese National Socialist Party is of fairly old standing and appears to have done quite a lot of wire-pulling and intriguing behind the scenes, and to have attracted to its fold a certain number of more or less important persons.

Except for its name and the desire to seize power and rule dictatorially, the Chinese National Socialist Party has little in common with its German prototype and remains very much of a Chinese affair. Its members wear no shirt—at least of no particular colour—nor other uniform, have no special salute, slogan or flag of their own.

The party was founded about ten years ago by a group of scholars, who were disgruntled because their valuable accomplishments and services had been overlooked by Gen. Chiang Kai-shek. It is for this reason that the birthplace of the party was in the north, and its chief recruiting-grounds in Peiping and Tientsin, because the leaders of the party were mostly professors of the universities in those two cities, such as Tsiinghua, Yenching, Peking and Nankai.

For this reason, too, the party was not without a certain influence in intellectual circles, and thus managed to find financial backing in this true to type—among certain prominent bankers and industrialists. But as far as is known, the Chinese National Socialist Party had no direct connection with the Nazi party in Germany, though most of the "intellectuals" who were its leaders were German-returned students. No doubt, however, the successes of the Nazi party in Germany gave the Chinese party a considerable fillip.

Party Of Theorists

The weakness of the party, however, was that it was too intellectual and, unlike the real Nazis, had no armed forces, such as Storm Troopers or Black Guards, to back it, nor a proper army or independent government, as had the Chinese Communists.

It was, therefore, merely a party of theorists in the hands of a few powerless scholars and timid financiers, and quite unable to stand up to the all-powerful Kuomintang.

In order to try and remedy this, the party did try and obtain the services of an armed force. This it did, not by organising its own army or corps of fighting-men, but by trying to ally itself with one or other of the semi-independent warlords, of whom there were quite a number in China before 1937 and who were mostly opposed to Gen. Chiang Kai-shek.

For this purpose, Prof. Chang Tung-sun, one of the founders of the party, resigned from Yenching University and joined Gen. Chen Chi-tang's semi-independent government in Canton in 1935. He took with him to Canton a large number of party members. But soon afterwards General Chen was overthrown in a revolt against the Central Government, and Professor Chang had to return to North China. Later on, the party tried to ally itself with Gen. Sung-yuan, when he was head of the Peiping Political Council. Prof. Lo Chung-chi, another founder of the party and a professor of Nankai University, became high adviser to General Sung and editor of the Peiping "Chen Pao." The Chinese National Socialist Party might very possibly have gained considerable influence over the 29th Route Army and in the councils of the semi-independent Hopei-Chahar regime, had not hostilities with Japan broken out in 1937.

Allegiance To Kuomintang

After the outbreak of hostilities political warfare in China ceased for a time, and other Chinese political parties joined hands with the Kuomintang, the National Socialist Party included. Several of the bankers were given important Government posts, while of the intellectuals, Prof. Lo Chung-chi and Prof. Chang Chun-mai, leader of the party, and several others, became members of the People's Political Council in Chungking, where they are regarded as belonging to a minority party, just as was Chow En-lai of the Communists.

But not all the National Socialists joined up with Chungking. Some remained in Peiping, and when Wang Chung-wei formed his new government at Nankai, these joined up with him under the leadership of Chu Chin-lai, Minister of Communications.

Thus we actually have a party, which has a pro-Japanese branch in Chungking.

In north China the National Socialist Party has continued its policy of winning over important and useful persons. It could, however, no longer rope in dependent warlords, because these have ceased to exist in north China. Instead, it turned its attention to leading members of the local regime.

Thus it has gained the patronage of Yin Tung, who has become honorary chairman of the party, which has also been joined by other leading government personages, such as Wang Shih-ching, Wang Yin-tai, and Wang Keh-min—now in retirement—and several others; but not Wang I-tang, chairman of the North China Political Affairs Commission. Each of these important persons is said to have contributed a considerable sum to the party funds, so that it is financially quite strong and able to attract a growing body of members.

Recent Nazi Interest

In recent days, the Germans are said to have taken a certain interest in the party and to have recommended it to the attention of the Japanese, so that it is now allowed to conduct its activities quite openly. The party has succeeded in placing many of its members in various government offices, and quite particularly in the profitable Reconstruction Commission, as also in government colleges and universities.

HERE'S A RICOCHET FROM 1778

A cannon ball fired by the British in 1778 during the War of Independence has been sent from America to Mr. Churchill by Mr. Hamilton Cochrane, of Hastings, New York, who wants to add one more shot to the heroic fight Britain is making for democracy.

STORY OF SOLDIERS' "WIVES"

A man who was alleged to have lived with two women for three years without either of them knowing of the existence of the other appeared at Birmingham, on a charge of bigamy.

The man was Terence McLarnon, a 33-year-old Irish soldier, who was stated to be an absentee from the Royal Ulster Rifles. McLarnon, who pleaded "Not Guilty," was committed for trial at Birmingham Assizes.

For the prosecution it was said that McLarnon was legally married on September 30, 1932, at St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church, Belfast, and lived happily with his wife for three years. He then began going about with another woman named Lily Divers, spending part of his time with her and part with his wife. He lived with the women alternately for about three years.

Left His Wife

He finally left his wife altogether, and lived with Miss Divers. On August 20, 1940, he went through a form of marriage with Miss Divers at Birmingham. He had been living with her on and off for some years, and she had had four children by him.

McLarnon, it was alleged, had not supported his wife for five years, and she had no Army allowance. There were two children of the legal marriage—twins aged nine.

Miss Divers, in evidence, said she first started to live with McLarnon five years ago. It was not until after they had been through the form of marriage that she learnt he was married. She had received the Army allowance.

The immediate policy of the party is said to be to back up the claims of Yin Tung to the post of chairman of the North China Political Affairs Commission, in succession to Wang I-tang, and thus raise itself into power.

It seems unlikely, however, that Mr. Wang will be got rid of quite so easily, as he has the powerful backing of no less a person than Lieut. Gen. Itagaki, the "strong man" of the Japanese army in China.

In any case, it may be doubted, whether the Japanese military rulers of north China, despite the recommendations of their Nazi friends, are going to allow any Chinese party to gain control, unless it suits their own particular plans.

AMERICAN DECISION EXPECTED EARLY

IT IS GENERALLY FELT in Washington press circles that America's decision on definite steps to assure sufficient material aid to Britain may be expected soon.

Most editorials agree that the public statements by four Cabinet members last week insisting upon "delivering the goods" to Britain were prepared with the intention of building up public opinion for some form of positive action.

President Roosevelt's illness during the last week which forced him to cancel two Press conferences caused further speculation as to what he will tell the American public next Wednesday when he addresses the Pan-American Union.

Some correspondents opine that if the worst comes to the worst, it might be the best course for the United States to declare war. They state that Germany does not want a formal war with the United States because this would mean putting America on a complete war footing and make her capable of greater production and sharper action and ultimately give the Allies the sort of force that won the last World War against Germany.

Leading newspapers, both Republican and Democratic, strongly urge the Administration to use the convoy system whatever be the consequences, but there are some papers which continue to support isolation and the views of Colonel Lindbergh. Senator Wheeler and Senator Nye against any further step to aid Britain.

Middle West Sentiment

One influential editor of a leading Mid-Western newspaper told the Central News Washington correspondent that sentiment in the so-called isolationist or non-interventionist belt is swinging to the support of President Roosevelt's foreign policy whether it is in the form of naval convoy or war.

He intimated that the nation is ready to follow President Roosevelt as soon as a decision is made and officially announced. Central News.

HERO'S BODY 'LUGGAGE'

The Air Minister's attention is being drawn to the case of a dead airman's mother who had to wait seven hours at a London terminus to receive her son's body.

The body, sent from the North of England eventually arrived on a goods train.

"His coffin might have been just another piece of luggage," the airman's mother said. "There was not a flower, no escort, and not until the undertaker I had engaged produced a Union Jack, was the coffin draped with the flag of the country for which my son died."

"The callousness of it all horrified me."

"At the crematorium there was a wreath from the officer commanding, the officers and aircrewmen of the unit, and I appreciated that."

"But the circumstances of my dead son's journey to London and the ordeal I had to undergo at the station are something which I am determined no mother must ever go through again."

The airman—a fighter pilot—was killed on active service but not until several days later did the mother receive any letter of condolence.

A telegram told the parents the coffin would arrive at 6.15 a.m. When the train came in the coffin was not there, and it was learned that it had been sent on a goods train.

For five harrowing hours the mother waited and then went away on the assurance that the train would arrive at 2 o'clock.

Shortly before two the tragic figure was back on the platform, but she had nearly two hours more to wait before the train steamed in with a miscellaneous cargo including livestock.

NEW U.S. BOMBERS IN ENGLAND

Fourteen months after the prototype underwent its first test, the first of a batch of Consolidated four-engined bombers is ready for delivery to England from the United States, writes the Air Correspondent of the "Manchester Guardian." This is the Consolidated Liberator, a huge machine which when fully loaded weighs 41,000lb.

The Liberator is made of metal throughout and is of full cant-lever monoplane design. The engines are 1,200-h.p. Pratt and Whitney Wasps, and at a cruising speed of 230 m.p.h. the range is approximately 3,000 miles. It has a retractable bicycle undercarriage, and gun turrets are built into the nose and the tail. The normal crew is from six to nine, according to the mission, and it can carry a bomb load of four tons.

Better Than Nazi Type

This great American bomber, which has a maximum speed of over 300 miles an hour, is in the same class as the enemy's Focke-Wulf F. W. 200K, the four-engined land plane which is being used in raids over the Atlantic. The dimensions are about the same, the Liberator having a span of 110 feet; and the Focke-Wulf a span of 108 feet, the former's length is 63 feet and the latter's 78 feet. The German machine, however, cannot carry such a heavy load, nor has it got such a good range. It is believed also that its maximum speed is some 50 miles an hour less than that of the Consolidated aircraft.

The Liberator, from its inception to its maiden flight, was just nine months in the building, a record for an aeroplane of such great size and an indication of the swiftness with which American aircraft constructors can evolve and produce machines.

It is said that six of the 26 Liberator bombers which are to be delivered to Britain may be used as transports for the ferry pilots now delivering machines across the Atlantic to Britain.

BRITISH PRISONER OF WAR KILLED

SEC. LT. EDWARD L. DEES, D. L. I., WAS RECENTLY SHOT AT A GERMAN PRISON CAMP.

He was standing at a window to sketch when a sentry, thinking that he was disobeying rules by leaning out, fired twice after shouting. He was killed instantly.

Before the war Sec. Lt. Dees was a well-known member of North Durham Rugby Club and the Ravensworth Golf Club.

According to letters received from the camp, he was buried in a cemetery outside the camp, wreaths being laid by Brig. Nicholson on behalf of the camp and by Col. Bramwell and Lt. Lightfoot on behalf of the regiment and his room companions.

TROOPS WILL TRAIN AT THE PICTURES

The Army is to make the fullest use of films for training purposes at home and abroad.

It is announced that in consultation with the Cinematograph Exhibitors' Association and the Government cinematograph adviser, Captain Paul Kimberley will advise on the establishment of the Army facilities necessary for distributing and showing these films.

INJURED ROBBER DIES

One of three alleged robbers who were beaten off by their intended victim, armed with a wooden pole, last Wednesday morning at No. 168, Nanchang Street, Shamshuiipo, died in the Kowloon Hospital yesterday as a result of the head injuries sustained.

GONE ARE THE HORSE AND CARRIAGE



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North, Dealer
North-South vulnerable
North-South part score 60

♠ 8 6
♥ Q J 6
♦ A K Q 4
♣ A K 6 4

♠ K 9 7 3
♥ K 5 4
♦ J 9 8 3
♣ 9 8

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♠ J 10 6 4
♥ 2
♦ 7 3
♣ J 10 8 7

♠ A Q
♥ A 10 9 8 2
♦ 6 5 2
♣ 3 2

The bidding:

North East South West
1♣ Pass 1♥ Pass
2♣ Pass 2♥ Pass
3♣ Pass 6♥ Pass

HIGH CARD VALUES OF THE FOUR-ACE SYSTEM

ACE 3
KING 2
QUEEN 1
JACK 1/2

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DECEIVING NAZI AIR SPOTTERS

Camouflage A Job For Experts

All formations of the Home Forces now have camouflage officers at their headquarters. The number of these officers is being rapidly increased, an indication of the development of camouflage made necessary by the great role played by air reconnaissance.

The officers who have passed through this school include artists and architects, scene painters and theatrical producers, a dress-maker and a professional magician, Mr. Jasper Maskelyne, now serving in Libya. They have had to study air photography, including infra-red, stereoscopy and the interpretation of an photographs.

Ineffective Work

The man who has never flown and has never studied air photographs cannot guess the right way to protect himself. Much of the camouflage which in the heat of the moment was applied last summer to and down the country is camouflage only in name to the experts of the Royal Engineers; a good deal of paint was lavished to small purpose.

In recent months the experts have introduced great reforms. Not much can be said at the moment than that the Army aims to merge the military installations of all kinds, as seen from the air, into the civilian environment.

When a start is made on a virgin site this can be done with almost unbelievable success. It is possible to construct a camp accommodating thousands of men which is unrecognisable as such from the air, while on the coast and inland some of the pill-boxes are invisible.

The disguise of munition factories comes under a different authority, the Civil Defence Camouflage Establishment which, in some instances, has had an enormous job to correct errors of judgment and shortsightedness of the past.

Artillerymen have the satisfaction of knowing that the camouflage is absolute protection for guns of all calibres from aerial observation. It remains for them not to give the show away by making obvious paths to cook-houses and other buildings.

One of the problems in the Army to-day is to bring home to the millions of men the nature of aerial observation. A camouflage film is being made for exhibition in training camps.

CUPID IN BOATS

Passport to romance for Frances Clark, one of thirty-eight girls who have become cobblers for the duration, is an old Army boot!

It has brought her a proposal of marriage.

Frances, who works in a shoe-mending factory at Upper Tulse Hill, S. W., was repairing a pair of outside Army boots one day and decided to slip a note inside wishing their owner luck.

The soldier, a gunner in the Royal Artillery, replied thanking her and asking for her picture. She sent one and he sent his photograph.

Now, though they have never met, the gunner has asked Frances to marry him.

"I never guessed my note would lead to this," Frances told me as she flattered studs into a soldier's shoes.

"Of course, I would not consider marrying someone I have never met," she smiled. "Just knowing his boots isn't really enough."

At the shoe-mending factory, they mend an average of 2,500 boots a week.

"We have almost completely changed our staff to women now," Mr. R. R. English, owner and manager, told me.

"They're all good girls and good workers—I haven't a grumble."

R.A.F. WILL NOT PART TWINS

Following an appeal on compassionate grounds by their father, twin brothers Geoffrey and Raymond Hepple, of Granville-terrace, York, have been brought together by the R.A.F. authorities.

Never parted for a day since birth, the boys, who are twenty, volunteered together for the R.A.F. There was a two-day gap between their medicals, and this apparently was the cause of their being posted to different training camps.

For three months the boys had the unhappiest time of their lives. "Both of us felt that something was missing and we couldn't settle down properly to our work," Geoffrey told the "Daily Mirror."

Streamers Out

In the meantime, their father, John W. Hepple, had written to the authorities. "They were wonderfully sympathetic and as soon as it could be managed the boys were brought together," he said.

Now Geoffrey and Raymond, both first-class aircraftmen, sleep in adjoining beds, sit together at mess, and have their pass-outs for the same nights.

At school the boys moved up together from form to form, they sang side by side in the church choir, and, after technical college training, both became printers.

Their home in Granville-terrace was decorated with paper streamers for the returning of the third brother, twenty-seven-year-old Ronald, also in the R.A.F., to spend a leave with the twins.

PORTUGUESE MAY LEAVE EIRE

A statement circulated in Dublin asks citizens of Portugal at present in Eire and requiring repatriation to Portugal to communicate with the Portuguese honorary vice-consul, Mr. Kevin J. Kenney, for registration.

"It is emphasised that owing to current difficulties of transport and the danger of a cessation entirely of such transport immediate registration is essential," the statement adds. "This measure does not apply to Portuguese merchant seamen, who are instructed to remain with their ships under all conditions."

No advices had been received by the British Government from Lisbon on the subject.

THE TEST OF THE STAIRS.

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Question No. 713

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Jacoby Schenker You Minter
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Pass 2♠ (?) Pass

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

(Released By The Bell Syndicate, Inc.)

Bringing Up Father

By George MacManus



A PAGE FOR WOMEN Spring Complexion

Do you realise that new skin is forever forming and old skin is scaling off? Yes, that is so, and during spring this changing of skin seems to be more pronounced. If you want to have a spring complexion, help to banish the old skin particles by a thorough home facial.

First, if your skin is dry, spread heated olive oil over it and massage it well with finger tips. Only skin girls do not need olive oil but they may follow the rest of the treatment.

Take a large bath towel or two, drape them over your head and bend over the wash basin in your bathroom. Turn on the hot water full force and give your face a good ten-minute steaming. When you need air, take it and wipe the dripping oil off your face, but bend over again for a few minutes more of pore opening.

Then with a soft bristled complexion brush and a bland soap, work up a good lather such as men do while shaving. Laterally scrub your face. Rinse it well with lukewarm water and then splash cold water on it. Refrain from squeezing any blemish!

Dry skin ladies will need a powder foundation beneath their make-up, but those with oily skin should use a slightly astringent skin tonic.

If you have the time, after the face scrubbing, apply a masque and let it run your facial contour and tighten your skin.

You know that sun is the best beauty treatment for skin, so catch an hour or two of sunshine each day if you can.



MYRNA LOY'S lovely skin is always faultless! She like other beauties is quick to change from winter cosmetics to summer ones, as the seasons change.

Get New Cosmetics

Even though you are a thrifty lass, you should throw away your winter skin aids. Buy fresh beauty preparations—a cleanser, powder base, a lubricator if you need one, and perhaps a skin tonic. A new cake of soap and

fresh make-up should also be on that shopping list.

Summer aids, as a rule, are lighter in texture than those one uses during the chilly months and then too, creams and lotions lose their efficacy if held onto too long.

Then about frowns—now that summer is here, can't you stop fretting? Smile more and at night, massage away little frown lines before going to bed. You cannot have a summer face unless you have a happy face, whipped up to greater beauty by an occasional facial and daily general care.

earnestly desire to add weight, here are a few suggestions for you to follow religiously.

Science tells us that Vitamin B stimulates one's appetite so you should begin by taking it in concentrated form or by eating more egg yolks, peas, spinach, whole grains, nuts, beef, and calf's liver, oysters, grapes or yeast tablets. You see an underweight's blood is lacking in iron so you need iron-rich foods as the main part of your diet.

During cold weather you will be assisted by taking cod liver oil to supplement the general lack of Vitamin D which is the sunshine vitamin.

There should be four or five hours between your meals if you take three regular meals a day—an early breakfast is the best rule so as to allow time to create an appetite for lunch. You should eat adequately at each meal, planning your means so you get every day fresh fruit, whole grains, honey, milk and butter and the foods listed above.

Try to walk at least two miles in the open every day in low heeled shoes.

Stop fretting about trivial things—get sound rest when you go to bed.

In no time at all you will gain weight and feel like a million dollars—as the saying goes!

To Gain Weight Reform Your Habits

We have devoted many days in counselling the overweights, in this space, so to-day we shall devote our words to the problem of the girl who wishes desperately to gain weight.

First of all she must establish a daily routine which consists of:

1—Three meals at regular hours or five smaller meals at regular hours.

2—Drink six to eight glasses of water daily between meals—not with meals.

3—Have from ten to twelve hours sleep each night with bedroom window wide open, heat turned off, covered with warm but lightweight blankets. Heavy layers of blankets drain your vitality.

4—Have a short rest period after each meal.

5—Take mild exercise in the fresh air and sunshine.

6—Establish regular toilet habits and avoid constipation.

Don't Be A Slacker

Personally, I'm rather tired of hearing too-thin girls say "How I want to gain weight—I don't seem to be able to do it." Many of them are not sincere in this but no one can understand why they want to remain skinny and unattractive, when they could be nicely proportioned with ever so much more vitality. It requires

vitality to reap joy out of living, so every woman should strive to attain vitality.

But if you are too thin and



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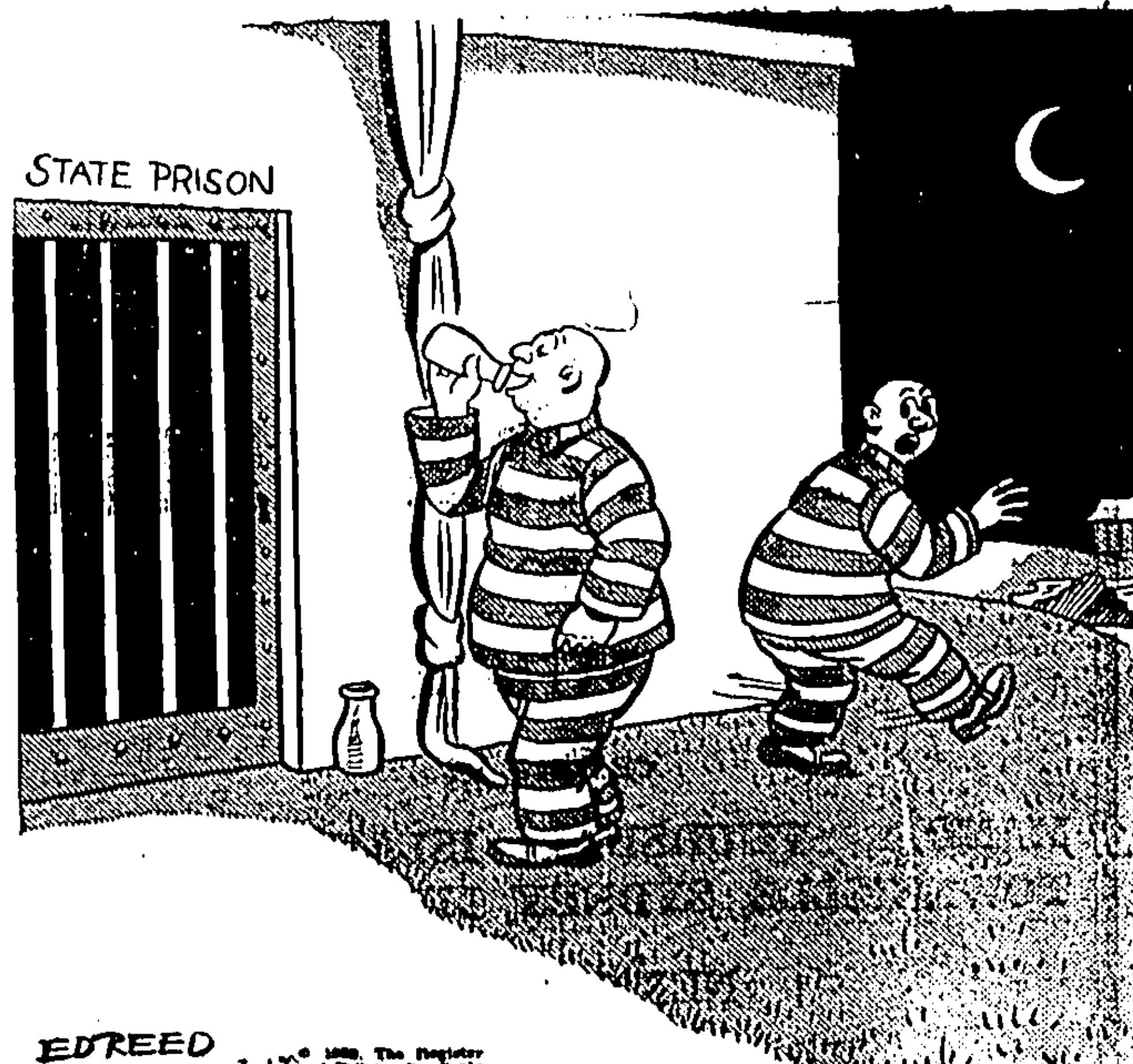
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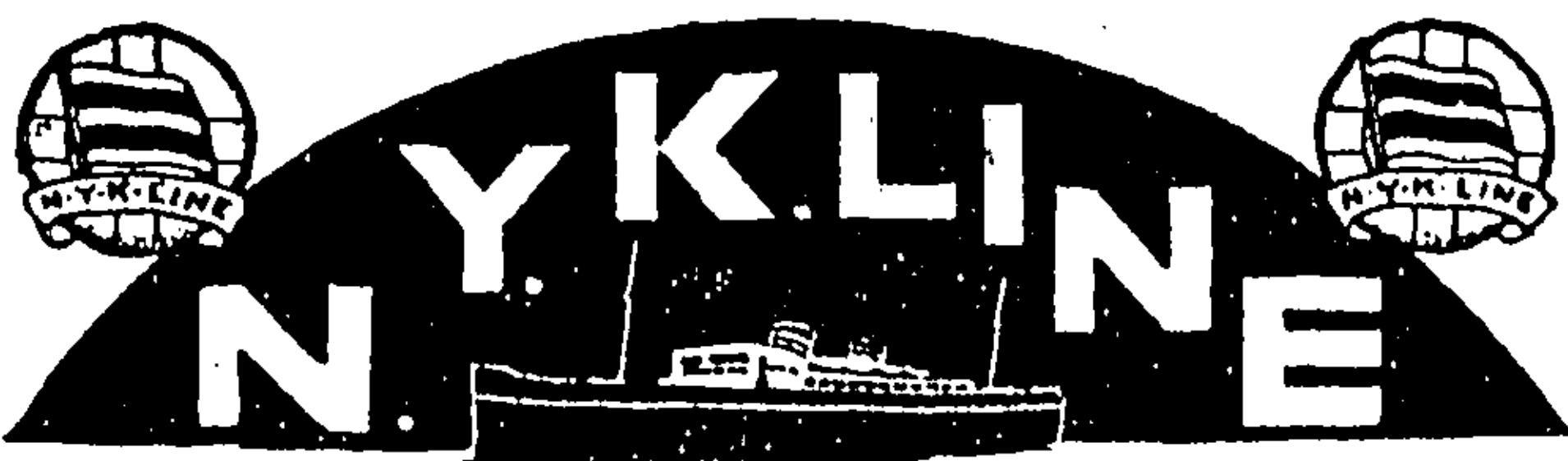


"For Pete's sake c'mon, Butch! This ain't no time for a midnight snack!"

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12.30 p.m.—Variety.

Comedian—Yes, Mr. Brown, Leave a Little for Me (both from film "Yes, Mr. Brown").

Jack Buchanan with Orchestra.

Organ—Torch Tunes of the Times.

Intro: I Go for That; Deep Purple; Gotta Get Some "Shut-Eye"; Hold Tight; I Promise You, I Miss You in the Morning.

Torch at the Organ.

Vocal—Let me give my happiness to You.

Three Wishes (both from "The Good Companions").

Jessie Matthews (Soprano) with Orchestra.

Piano—Insect Oddities.

Intro: Wedding of an Ant, Lady Bird Lullaby; Praying Mantis, Beetle in the Bottle.

Billy Mayell.

Comedian—I Think I Can (film "Brewster's Millions").

Jack Buchanan with Orchestra.

1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal.

1.01 p.m.—A Scottish Programme.

Highland Schottische.

Pipes and Drums of the 2nd Battalion Scots Guards directed by Pipe-Major Robertson.

The Laird o' Cockpen (Robertson).

Dumbarton's Drums (Bantock).

Glasgow Orpheus Choir cond. by Robertson.

Highland Reel and Reel o' Tulloch.

Pipe-Major Forsyth (Bagpipes).

Roy's Wife o' Auldvalloch (arr. Gray).

The Keel Row (arr. Cross).

Marie Thomson and Catherine Mentiplay (Vocal) with Piano.

Eightsome Reel.

Pipe-Major Forsyth (Bagpipes).

Sir Harry Lauder Songs.

Intro: Roamin' in the Gloamin'.

Fou the Noo, Tubernay.

It's a Nice to Get Up in the Mornin'.

The Saltie o' the Family.

She is ma Daisy, I Love a Lassie.

We Parted on the Shore; Killiecrankie, The Wedding o' Sandy McNab.

Stop yer Tickling Jock (Lauder and others).

The Border Singers with Orch.

1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 p.m.—Mozart—Concerto in A Major for Clarinet and Orchestra.

1st Mov. Allegro.

2nd Mov. Adagio.

3rd Mov. Rondo Allegro.

Reginald Kell (Clarinet) and the London Philharmonic Orchestra cond. by Dr. Sargent.

2.15 p.m.—Close Down.

5.45 p.m.—Indian Programme.

6.30 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 p.m.—A Dance Programme.

Quick-Step—Bluebirds in the Moonlight (film "Gulliver's Travels").

Fox-Trot—I Hear a Dream (film "Gulliver's Travels").

Jack White and His Collegians.

Fox-Trots—Macpherson is Rehearsing.

Grandma's Parade.

The Organ, The Dance Band and Me.

Tangos Elegante Papirusa.

Mahnconia.

Bernardo Alemany et son Orchestre.

Fox-Trots—If I Only Had a Heart.

If I Only Had a Brain (both from "The Wizard of Oz").

Victor Young and His Orchestra.

Waltz—Who's taking you home to-night?

Mantovani and His Music for Dancing.

7.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

7.15 p.m.—London Relay—"Questions of the Hour."

7.30 p.m.—Folk Music.

English Folk Songs and Dances (arr. Fairfield).

Regimental Band of H.M. Irish Guards cond. by Lieutenant Willcocks.

Creme de Minthy—Irish Jig (arr. Marguerison).

Salter's—16th Century Netherland Tune (arr. Taubstein).

Nicolas Furion's Jig—Irish Jig (arr. Miller).

The Pipers' Guild Quartet.

Austrian Peasant Dances (arr. Schoneherr).

Symphony Orchestra cond. by Goehr.

Happy Swiss Memories (arr. Betz).

Swiss Ensemble.

Clog Dance (Fetras).

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Dancers Are Hit By Bomb

WOMEN DANCERS ripped their evening gowns into bandages for the wounded when a bomb burst on the crowded floor of a London restaurant when the blitz came back to London. A number of people were killed, women survivors were begrimed with black dust, and their immaculately-dressed hair tousled by the blast.

Hardly one of them had escaped minor cuts from splintered glass, which shot like bullets from the mirrored walls and pillars.

But not until rescue workers and nurses arrived would they leave the wrecked dance hall, which had been plunged into

darkness. By the light of their torches rescuers found a grim scene.

Victims In A Heap

The dance floor was crowded when the bomb crashed at an angle and burst amid the gay dancers, many of whom were in uniform.

Dancers, members of the orchestra, waiters, tables, chairs were swept flat as the blast swept through the restaurant like a scythe.

As the dust began to settle, the less seriously injured and members of the staff from the undamaged part of the building found dead and injured heaped together on the dance floor. Musical instruments lay battered and twisted near them.

Helpers from the undamaged kitchens put on gas masks in the blinding dust and improvised tourniquets with serviettes and ice-picks.

Among the first on the scene was the roof-spotter who perched on the top of the tall building, had an amazing escape when the bomb crashed through the roof a few yards away.

He raced downstairs to the restaurant, and joined in helping to drag the injured from the debris. Doctors worked until early in the morning tending the injured.

The cabaret girls escaped unhurt. They were in their make-up room, waiting to be called, when the bomb fell.

"The explosion nearly split my ear drums. I crashed to the floor with diners, chairs and tables falling with us," said a waiter.

"The women were wonderful. Everyone helped each other." Waitresses rushed to their first-aid posts to tend the injured.

A nursing sister, after tending the injured in the restaurant, saw a man rifling her handbag. The stolen articles included a fountain pen and an R.A.F. brooch given her by a pilot who is now a prisoner of war in Germany.

She saw the man and she called, "Drop it." He disappeared. A small sum of money was left intact.

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ANOTHER TITLE FOR MANSON

The South China All Schools' athletic meeting was continued yesterday at Caroline in blazing sunshine under conditions most trying to the participants.

Pte. Manson, the Colony's leading distance runner, won the 1,500 metres final, A. P. Silva the 200 metres final, and Miss June Hall the Ladies' 200 metres final. The 1,500 and 400 metre relays were won by South China and King's College, respectively.

RESULTS

Following were yesterday's results:

OPEN EVENTS

Ladies' Shot Put: 1. Miss Lee Wong (King's), 2. Lee Suk-ching (A. P. Silva), 3. Miss Lee Yik-ming (King's). Distance: 3.29 metres.

Ladies' 200 Metres Final: 1. Miss June Hall (King's), 2. Miss Chan Mei-ling (A. P. Silva), 3. Miss Lee Yik-ming (King's). Time: 29 sec.

Men's 200 Metres Final: 1. A. P. Silva, 2. Tam Hoi-chuen (King's), 3. Habb Khan (King's). Time: 24 sec.

Men's 1,500 Metres Final: 1. Private Manson, 2. Cpl. Sutherland (King's), 3. Leung Nal-yick (King's). Time: 4 mins 37 sec.

Men's High Jump: 1. Onan Dapbhan Singh, 2. Fong Ching-hung, 3. Lau Chi-kin. Height: 1.5 metres.

Ladies' 400 Metres Final: 1. Miss Yip Mo-ching, 2. Miss Ko Siu-yung, 3. Miss Leung Tak-hing. Distance: 21.6 metres.

Ladies' Long Jump Final: 1. Miss Lee Siu-wai, 2. Miss Leung Ching-mui, 3. Miss Chan Mei-ling. Distance: 4.6 metres.

Men's 400 Metres Middle Hurdles: 1. Cheung Chau (King's), 2. Lau Kwachun (King's). Time: 66 sec.

Men's 1,500 Metres Relay Race: 1. South China A.A., 2. La Salle College, 3. Royal School. Time: 3 mins 48 sec.

Men's 400 Metres Relay Race: 1. King's College, 2. South China A.A., 3. A.P. Club. Time: 40.6 sec.

SCHOOLS' RESULTS

Boys' 100 Metres "A" Grade: 1. Lee Yik-ming (King's), 2. Lau Sam-chi (King's), 3. Lee Yip-ai (King's). Time: 29 mins.

Boys' 800 Metres "A" Grade: 1. A. Sandberg (La Salle), 2. Cheung Kai-pau (Wah Yan), 3. Wong Yue-yung (King's). Time: 13.4 sec.

Boys' 80 Metres Low Hurdles "B" Grade: 1. Yip Yik-ming (King's), 2. Tse Chan-ping (Pui Ying), 3. Lau Man-chau (King's). Time: 11.3 sec.

Boys' "B" Grade Hop, Step and Jump: 1. Wan Kien-ting (Wah Yan), 2. Cheung Yuen-tung (King's), 3. Luk Chung-hon (King's). Time: 12.14 metres.

Girls' 100 Metres "A" Grade: 1. Miss Yvonne Yalle (French Convent), 2. Miss Ng Man-lung (Canton University), 3. Lee Yik-yin (French Convent). Time: 1 min 35 sec.

Girls' 50 Metres "B" Grade: 1. Miss Ho Mo-hip (Fong Lam), 2. Lam Hing-chu (Fong Lam), 3. Yu Hui-wan (Fong Lam). Time: 7.8 sec.

Boys' 50 Metres "C" Grade: 1. Tam Po-wai (Pui Ying), 2. Lau Sam-kan (Pui Ying), 3. Cheung Kwong-ting (King's). Time: 6.8 sec.

Boys' 200 Metres "A" Grade: 1. A. P. Silva (La Salle), 2. Kwai Pong-ming (La Salle), 3. Chan Hoi-ai (Pui Ying). Time: 24 sec.

Boys' 200 Metres "B" Grade: 1. Chu Wun-tai (Pui Ying), 2. Yui Tat-man (Pui Ying), 3. Wong Suen-chi (Pui Ying). Time: 25.4 sec.

Boys' 200 Metres "C" Grade: 1. Chan Mei-ling (Pui Ying), 2. Lau Sam-kan (Pui Ying), 3. Cheung Kwong-ting (King's). Time: 27 sec.

Girls' 200 Metres "C" Grade: 1. Miss Yu Bick-hon (Fong Lam), 2. Miss Ho Wai-hip (Fong Lam), 3. Miss Lau Sau-chi (King's). Time: 32 sec.

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The mirror was high over the mantelpiece and as Rita clambered on to the fender to look into it, her flimsy ankle-length frock touched the fire and burst into flames.

Rita's thirteen-year-old brother Terence tried to put them out, but Rita was badly burned. She died from blood poisoning and shock.

"Rita took a great interest in her clothes," her mother, Mrs. Bradley, of Sky Peaks Road, Woodford Green, told the "Daily Mirror."

"She always wanted to look her best. The party frock was the pride of her life."

"Loved Dressing Up"

Said Rita's sister Florence: "She loved dressing up to go to parties."

Patricia told the story of her friend's tragic death at the Walthamstow inquest when a verdict of Accidental death was recorded.

Dr. P. B. Skeels, the coroner, said that the law required a fire guard to be provided to protect children up to the age of seven. In the interests of these two children, one should obviously have been provided.

ANNIVERSARY SUPPER DANCE

Arrangements are being made by the Chinese Australasian Association to hold its Second Anniversary Supper Dance at the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden next Saturday, May 17, at 8 p.m. Tickets at \$5 each may be purchased from the Hong Kong Hotel, St. Francis Hotel, The Sun Company, Sincere Company, Wing On Company, China Emporium, and from the members of the Ladies Committee. Table reservations are now open at the Hong Kong Hotel Reception Office. Proceeds will be in aid of Chinese and British War Relief.

A Ladies Committee is making preparations for an interesting programme and every effort is being made to outshine the successful first anniversary dinner held a year ago.

The Ladies Committee in charge of arrangements consist of Mrs. Pauline Yee, Mrs. Henry Chong, Mrs. Alice Chow, Mrs. Violet Chan, Mrs. Mavis Cheung, Mrs. Rose Y. K. Chow, Miss Lucy Ming, Mrs. Irene Law and others.

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HIGHLIGHTS OF THE SOFTBALL SEASON UNDER REVIEW

Gerry Gosano Credited With Year's Pitching Gem

By "Grandstand"

BEFORE WE LOWER the curtain on the most successful Softball season, and usher in King Baseball, let us recall some of the hair-breadth plays and split-second masterpieces that have combined to give us a most enjoyable season, and although players and spectators alike have had occasions to hurl fiery barbs at each other, this corner is convinced that venom was never in their hearts. Yessirree, it's been great fun.

Of all the pitching performances, Recreio's ace-hurler Gerry Gosano's clutch pitching in their game with the Cyclones, in which the latter were nosed out by the only run in the tilt, stands out above all other chucking accomplishments during the year.

Johnnie Alvares who drew the opening assignment, was toiling on the slab perfectly for five frames, but cracked up under the pressure, and before he knew it the sacks were choked with none away.

Mentor R. N. Noronha immediately yanked Alvares from the hillock and placed Gosano on the mound, with runners dancing on the base paths, a spot to put any pitcher in. But Gosano was equal to the occasion, and even if he was nervous he didn't show it, as he forced next batter, Skelly Razaek to foul out on the first pitch for the first erasure. K. M. Rumjahn, the big gun of the Cyclones was the next victim with a pop fly which Gosano swallowed without as much as moving an inch, whilst Markar Jr. was forced out on a slow roller for the third putout.

A Dazzling "Double"

No less brilliant was the dazzling double play which paved the way for a putout for St. Joseph's. Coming down the home stretch the Indians were all out to let the Saints to wind up the year with a triple tie at the wire. The Mohawks were then still in the running.

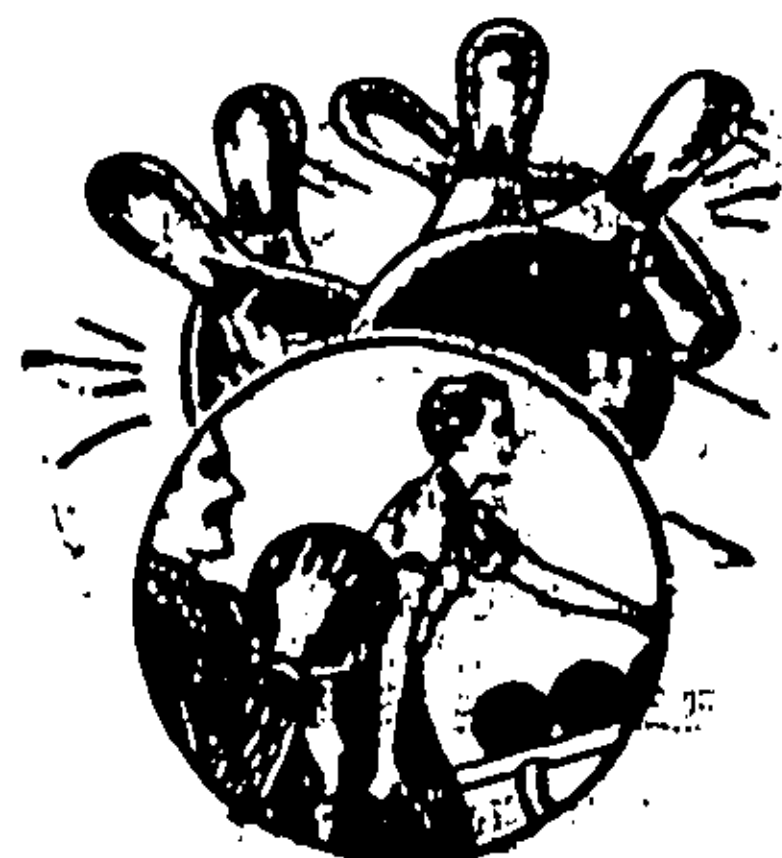
The Indians needed only two runs to knot the count as they came in their last turn with the bat. Lefty Arculli shuffled up to the plate and drew a free ticket on the gray train on four pitched balls. Here's the lowdown on that pass—Gonsalves just couldn't plitch to a fork handed.

"Tarzan" Small, smacked the next offering good and hard to start a hit and run play, and it seemed that the ball would beat short-stop George Souza as it bounded over second, but somehow Souza clamped his hands on the pill and tossed out Arculli at second.

Ozorio who was covering the bag, pivoted to Stan Leonard at first to complete the twin-erasure. But for that double play the runners would have scored, as Nazarin, next man up, slashed out a sizzler, right through the infield.

How Mohawks Lost

The Mohawks actually lost the league when they were nosed out.



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by the Chinese Baseballers, 8-7, in their first encounter.

The count was knotted at seven all as the last inning rolled up. Tuffy Chinn, who was almost blinded by Lou Leight's slashing drive through the box, was replaced by Earl Wong who fled out for the first out. Then veteran Tommy Chan strolled up to the plate and poled out a round-tripper for the tie-breaker, which eventually proved to be the winning run, as the Mohawks couldn't push a tally across although they had runners on the bases.

That Extra Base

But all was not lost for the Mohawks. They would have enriched their game with the Indians for a play-off against the Saints, but for sandlot base-running. "Doc" Molthen had banged out a long hit to right, and should have been contented with a three-bagger, but was instead nailed at the pay off station when he attempted to stretch it into a four-bagger. Why he did it, with none away and clutch hitter Joe Morris coming up will be a subject for Hot Stove leaguers. Anyway, the game dragged on into the ninth before the Mohawks conceded the "heart-breaker".

A Near Thing

The International series also came in for its share of thrilling moments. Indians, who eventually emerged champions, were almost eliminated in the first round when they only managed to nose out the weak Canadian contingent, the game being saved by flashy short-stop Huckjai Kitchell with two dazzling pickups after the game was booted.

With the last innings coming up, the Canadians were trailing behind in a seven four set-up. Bill Ing drew a pass and was sacrificed to second on Johnnie Fisher's dump. Gas Oliver slashed a burning grounder along third which Sherry Bux booted, and even as the ball was rolling out to left-field, Kitchell darted in to scoop up the pill to toss out Oliver at first for the second erasure, holding Ing at third.

Bernie Johnson banged out a single to score Ing. Bill Woo next slashed out another grass-cutter along third which Bux fumbled again, and even as Indian fans were groaning, Kitchell dished out the second fielding gem by tossing out Johnson by half a step at second, to end the Canadian threat. Pinky Higgins, Den Cray and Dan Fittinghoff, all known hitters, were coming up next, and a hit would have meant an Indian defeat.

Bad Base-Running

In the ladies series, Great Britain almost pulled off a sensational upset against the strong-Chinese squad, when they were nosed out through bone-headed base-running.

Jeannette Yolle who was perched on second with the tying run, with two down, forgot to pick up her dogs as sister Yvonne hoisted one which centre-fielder Margaret Young dropped, and only made third, where she died as Kitty Bush tapped out a feeble roller.

ARMY SPORTLIGHT

By "SQUADDY"

I understand that at the Annual General Meeting of the Area Sports Board the following suggestions were put before the committee and passed for the forthcoming sporting season.

CROSS COUNTRY

The Area Cross Country Runs will be held alternatively on the Island and the Mainland instead of always being held on the Mainland, and a suitable course will be chosen by the Secretary for Cross-Country Runs before the next annual runs.

This is a very good idea and will give the Units stationed on the Island a change from going over to the Polo Club ground each year. This also gives them a chance in training for this event as the Units stationed on the Mainland have the advantage of training over the course before the actual runs.

WRESTLING

It was also suggested that the Indian personnel of the Royal Artillery, and the Infantry Units should hold a wrestling tournament amongst themselves to be conducted under their own wrestling rules which are far different from the European rules. They also wrestle in a pit cut out in the ground and not in a ring. This Tournament will be held amongst the Indian troops and run by themselves, but a Secretary will be appointed by the Area Sports Board as for every sport connected with the Area Sports Board.

ATTACHED

PERSONNEL

Middlesex Regt. brought up the point of having members of other Units attached to them such as their Armourers and Fitters, who are always attached to them for a number of years.

They stated that in the Area Novices boxing competition a protest was made against them having a member of the Ordnance Corps attached to them in their Novices boxing team, and they had to withdraw him on the night of the finals.

The committee agreed that for future reference, any person attached to a Large Unit could play for that Unit, providing he was not called upon by his own Unit, or by the Combined Small Units.

THE CHAMPIONS

This past sporting season has been very successful as far as Units are concerned and the following are the results of all sporting activities during the past year.

FOOTBALL

First Division:—Middlesex Regt. (Fourth); Royal Scots (1st).
Second Division:—Royal Engineers (champions); R.A.S.C. (runners-up).
Third Division:—R.A.F. (champions); Signals (runners-up).
Small Units Football Knockout Competition:—Winners:—H.Q. Coy., 1st Bn. The Middlesex Regt.; Runners-up:—"D" Coy., 2nd Royal Scots.

RUGBY

Large Units Rugby League:—Winners:—Royal Engineers; Runners-up:—Combined Royal Artillery.
Small Units Knockout Competition:—Winners:—Royal Engineers; Runners-up:—Royal Scots.
Army Seven-a-Side:—Winners:—Royal Engineers; Runners-up:—Royal Artillery.

CRICKET

Large Units:—Winners:—Royal Engineers; Runners-up:—Combined Small Units.
Small Units:—Winners:—R.A.S.C.; Runners-up:—5th A.A. Regt.; R.A.

BOXING

Inter-Unit Novices Competition:—Winners:—Royal Scots; Runners-up:—Middlesex Regt.
Inter-Unit Team Championship:—Winners:—Royal Scots; Runners-up:—Middlesex Regt.

ATHLETICS

Winners:—Middlesex Regt.; Runners-up:—5th Coast Regt.; R.A.
TUG-OF-WAR
110 Stone:—Winners:—12th Coast Regt.; R.A.

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BILLIARDS

Garrison Billiards League:—Winners:—R.A.M.C.; Runners-up:—Royal Scots.

Garrison Snooker League:—Winners:—R.A.M.C.; Runners-up:—Royal Engineers Sgts.

Garrison Challenge Cup:—Winners:—R.A.M.C.; Runners-up:—Military Police.

Garrison Soldiers' Club Cup:—Winners:—H.K.V.D.C.; Runners-up:—Royal Corps Signals.

Individual Billiards Champions:—Cpl Harvey (R.A.M.C.).

Individual Snooker Champions:—Cpl Harvey (R.A.M.C.).

HOCKEY

Large Units League:—Winners:—Middlesex Regt.

Small Units Knockout:—Winners:—10th Bty. R.A.; Runners-up:—H.K.S. R.A.

Colony Six-a-Side:—Winners:—Middlesex Regt.

CROSS COUNTRY RUNS
British Units Run:—Winners:—Middlesex Regt.; Runners-up:—Royal Scots.

Indian Units Run:—Winners:—H.K.S. R.A.; Runners-up:—2/14th Punjab Regt.

ROWING

Winners of Trophies
The "Brown Cup":—24th Coast Bty. R.A.

The "Chaplains' Cup":—Carrier Platoon, Royal Scots.

The "Ah King Cup":—22nd (F) Coy. Royal Engineers.

SWIMMING

Winners:—Combined Small Units; Runners-up:—Middlesex Regt.

WATER POLO

Large Units Knockout Competition:—Combined Small Units.

Small Units Knockout Competition:—Hong Kong Signal Coy.

ATHLETICS

The athletic meeting between Combined Royal Artillery and Combined Middlesex and the Rajputs resulted in a win for Royal Artillery by 33 points to 25. The finest performance of the afternoon was that of Pte. Lever who won three of the Field events, and bettered two of the Command. Athletic meeting throws, the Javelin which he threw 173ft. 11½ins. and the Discus which he threw 116ft. 1in. He also won throwing the hammer with 104ft. 3ins.

The first event of the day was that of the Pole vault which the Royal Artillery won with a combined height of 19ft. 6ins. and the Middlesex/Rajputs 19ft. Royal Artillery won the Hurdles and the last two hurdles. Capt. Skipwith, R.A., and Lieut. Pollock, Rajputs, were a picture to watch.

Royal Artillery also won the 2 Miles Relay in the fine time of 8mins. 42secs.

Throwing the discus was won by Middlesex/Rajputs with a combined length of 218ft. 11ins. and the Royal Artillery 193ft. 10ins.

Individual throw; Pte. Lever 116ft. 1in.

This was a better throw than his throw for the Command Athletic meeting when he threw the discus 115ft. 7ins.

Royal Artillery were winners of the 880yds. relay and won by 10 lengths.

Throwing the Javelin was won by the combined Royal Artillery who won with 323' 8" to 318' 2". Lever was the best individual with 173ft. 11½ins. beating the command throw by 7ft. 6ins.

Royal Artillery won the 1 Mile team race and the Three Miles team race.

They also won the 1 Mile relay, the weight, Long Jump, High Jump.

The Combined Middlesex and Rajputs won the 440yds. relay which was the best race of the afternoon.

K.C.C. TENNIS TRIAL

A tennis League trial was held at Kowloon Cricket Club yesterday. There was a fairly large turn-out among those participating being:—E. C. Fletcher, A. Crawford, E. F. Fletcher, G. C. Burnett, S. A. Gray, F. R. Zimmern, A. E. P. Guest, R. S. Capell, N. A. E. Mackay, R. T. Broadbridge, A. L. Fisher, N. Bebbington, H. C. Eardley, H. Crabb, D. L. L. and A. Zimmern.

JOCKEYS' & OWNERS' RECORDS

Following is how the leading jockeys and owners have fared at the Valley this year:

| JOCKEYS | 1st 2nd 3rd Un. | | | |
|------------------|-----------------|-----|-----|-----|
| | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | Un. |
| D. Black | 17 | 6 | 16 | 43 |
| L. B. Chao | 13 | 14 | 6 | 29 |
| H. C. Pih | 10 | 14 | 8 | 42 |
| P. Y. T. Wei | 10 | 7 | 10 | 35 |
| V. V. Needa | 9 | 12 | 3 | 39 |
| H. J. A. Hearn | 6 | 6 | 7 | 39 |
| *C. B. Moller | 6 | 5 | 4 | 13 |
| W. H. S. Davis | 5 | 8 | 5 | 34 |
| *F. Noott | 5 | 3 | 2 | 21 |
| W. G. Poy | 4 | 4 | 3 | 34 |
| Ip Kuei-ying | 4 | 1 | 2 | 10 |
| S. W. Pan | 4 | 0 | 1 | 20 |
| R. M. Wood | 4 | 0 | 0 | 23 |
| H. S. Chang | 3 | 5 | 6 | 35 |
| *M. M. Sokoloff | 2 | 6 | 4 | 15 |
| D. H. S. Craven | 2 | 4 | 2 | 7 |
| S. C. Liang | 2 | 2 | 4 | 28 |
| B. L. Tao | 2 | 1 | 6 | 43 |
| P. P. Boelcho | 2 | 0 | 7 | 39 |
| W. Yui | 2 | 0 | 1 | 2 |
| S. W. Lee | 1 | 3 | 2 | 40 |
| G. Treverton | 1 | 2 | 2 | 37 |
| A. D. Coppin | 1 | 2 | 1 | 5 |
| S. W. Tang | 1 | 1 | 5 | 15 |
| R. K. C. Chiu | 1 | 1 | 0 | 34 |
| B. A. Proulx | 1 | 0 | 2 | 6 |
| T. W. Chattey | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| *H. J. Holden | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| L. Shiu-fai | 1 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| Chiu Ki-fan | 0 | 3 | 1 | 23 |
| Hoo Pak-ming | 0 | 1 | 1 | 37 |
| *G. Pollock | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| J. N. da Silva | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| *D. G. Woo | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| S. L. Sung | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 |
| L. J. A. Fielden | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Y. K. Tu | 0 | 0 | 1 | 8 |
| Tang Man-wa | 0 | 0 | 1 | 14 |
| C. L. Gregory | 0 | 0 | 1 | 17 |
| F. A. Sequiera | 0 | 0 | 1 | 22 |
| M. F. L. Haymes | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| J. Barrow | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| H. C. Chan | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| C. C. Chan | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| G. W. Cooper | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| Lo Kwong-to | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| Chanson Feng | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 |
| Yeung Wing-kwai | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 |
| K. I. Ip | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 |
| Ho Hong-ping | 0 | 0 | 0 | 19 |
| S. L. Yuen | 0 | 0 | 0 | 55 |

* Visiting jockeys for the Annual Race Meeting who have since returned North.

OWNERS

| OWNERS | 1st 2nd 3rd | | | |
|--------------------|-------------|-----|-----|--|
| | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | |
| T. K. L. | 10 | 9 | 7 | |
| Cire | 10 | 5 | 4 | |
| Lan | 8 | 9 | 8 | |
| Eve | 7 | 8 | 2 | |
| S. W. Lee | 6 | 4 | 3 | |
| Necan | 4 | 2 | 1 | |
| Marber | 3 | 7 | 9 | |
| Eu Tong-sen | 3 | 4 | 3 | |
| Mrs. Chuong Ho-ye | 3 | 1 | 1 | |
| Li Po-chun | 3 | 1 | 1 | |
| Mrs. A. E. Gracet | 3 | 0 | 0 | |
| Lee Bros. | 2 | 5 | 1 | |
| G. Tinson | 2 | 1 | 4 | |
| Chalce | 2 | 1 | 1 | |
| Sallbad the Sailor | 2 | 1 | 0 | |
| V. M. Grayburn | 2 | 0 | 0 | |
| Golf | 2 | 0 | 0 | |
| Penn & Tsai | 2 | 0 | 0 | |
| Electricity | 2 | 0 | 0 | |
| Lee Chi-choh | 1 | 3 | 3 | |
| E. S. K. | 1 | 3 | 2 | |
| C. H. | 1 | 3 | 0 | |
| Dynasty | 1 | 3 | 0 | |
| Diamonds | 1 | 3 | 0 | |
| Kong Bros. | 1 | 2 | 1 | |
| O. C. F. | 1 | 2 | 0 | |
| Billy | 1 | 2 | 0 | |
| Culture | 1 | 2 | 0 | |
| Why | 1 | 1 | 3 | |
| Gredmaka | 1 | 1 | 2 | |
| Collene | 1 | 1 | 2 | |
| Miss Li Po-chun | 1 | 1 | 1 | |
| S. K. | 1 | 1 | 1 | |
| Kia Ora | 1 | 1 | 0 | |
| Wai Shiu-pak | 1 | 1 | 0 | |
| Vilaja | 1 | 0 | 5 | |
| L. W. S. | 1 | 0 | 3 | |
| Toots | 1 | 0 | 2 | |
| F. A. Sutton | 1 | 0 | 2 | |

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NEW CHAMPION

A new World Middleweight boxing champion was crowned on Friday night when Billy Soose, former collegiate star and triple amateur champion, out-pointed Ken Overlin, the holder, over 15 rounds.

Overlin amassed a good lead on points and appeared to win at least eight rounds, and the decision was unpopular. —Reuter.

NECAN TOPS STAKES MONEY WINNERS

United Express Brings In \$10,909

Following shows how much the respective winners secured for their stables (names in brackets) at the Valley since January 1:

| | |
|------------------------------------|--------|
| United Express (Necan) | 10,909 |
| Distant View (Lan) | 10,000 |
| Oolong (T.K.L.) | 7,681 |
| Endeavour (Mrs. Chuong Ho-yen) | 5,274 |
| Starlight (Cire) | 5,000 |
| Sapper (Mrs. A. E. Grasett) | 5,000 |
| Velvetlight (Cire) | 4,866 |
| Fleetwing (Eu Tong-sen) | 4,200 |
| Confusion Bay (T.K.L.) | 3,850 |
| Happy Returns (Lee Chihoh) | 3,700 |
| Moonlight (Cire) | 3,300 |
| World Fair View (Lan) | 3,300 |
| Mountain View (Lan) | 3,150 |
| Oracle (T.K.L.) | 3,100 |
| Santa Anita (C.C.F.) | 3,000 |
| Maineail (Sailbad the Sinner) | 3,000 |
| Jus Gentium (S. W. Lee) | 2,987 |
| A Happy Time Li (Po chun) | 2,950 |
| Viceroy (Vilaja monds) | 2,850 |
| Colooma (Gredmaka) | 2,750 |
| A Surprising Time (Toots) | 2,600 |
| Black Seal (C.H.) | 2,500 |
| Sam's Choice (Collene) | 2,500 |
| King's Flight (Dynasty) | 2,500 |
| Prairie View (Lan) | 2,450 |
| Palber (Marber) | 2,300 |
| Charlesber (Marber I) | 2,300 |
| First Love (P. & L.) | 2,250 |
| Marsh Warbler (Pearstur) | 2,150 |
| Fresh Air (S.K.) | 2,100 |
| Baffin Bay (S. W. Lee) | 2,100 |
| Lex Fori (Lee Bros.) | 2,000 |
| Navyllight (Cire) | 2,000 |
| Dutch Treat (Hollandia) | 2,000 |
| Corair (L.W.S.) | 1,900 |
| Bona Vacantia (Culture) | 1,900 |
| Bugle (C. H. Chan) | 1,900 |
| Blue Field (S. W. Lee) | 1,850 |
| Manhattan (Shields & Stanton) | 1,800 |
| National Courage (Why) | 1,800 |
| A Luxurious Time (Miss Li Po-chun) | 1,750 |
| Gloaming (Eu Tong sen) | 1,750 |
| Connieher (Marber I) | 1,650 |
| Nomine Pornee (Lee Bros) | 1,600 |
| Longdon (G. Tinson) | 1,600 |
| O Lan (T.K.L.) | 1,577 |
| Vanguard (Choice) | 1,550 |
| Amulet Star (C.W.K.) | 1,500 |
| National Welfare (Yeung Bros.) | 1,500 |
| Bendemeer (P. M. Hoo) | 1,500 |
| Eve of Peace (Eve) | 1,500 |
| Maple Leaf (Kwok Yee-chun) | 1,500 |
| Brutus (G. Treverton) | 1,500 |
| Optima Fide (S.W.) | 1,500 |
| Never-Never (Mrs. B. Hall) | 1,500 |
| Springhurst (Billy) | 1,500 |
| Tien Tien (Wai Shiu-pak) | 1,500 |
| Newborn Star (C.N.K.) | 1,400 |
| Many Thanks (Kia Ora) | 1,400 |
| Man-O-War (Penn & Tsoi) | 1,400 |
| Australian Diamond (Dia) | 1,325 |
| Catterick Bridge (Electricity) | 1,300 |
| Avon (V. M. Grayburn) | 1,300 |
| Wonderful Scheme (Kong Bros.) | 1,300 |
| So Nice (F. A. Sutton) | 1,250 |
| The Nineteenth Hole (Golf) | 1,250 |
| Sydney Lady (Lucky) | 1,200 |
| Galveston Bay (T.K.L.) | 1,200 |
| Vanity Fair (Choice) | 1,100 |
| Vixen Tor (G. Tinson) | 1,100 |
| Cheerful Star (E.S.K.) | 1,075 |
| Eve of Harvest (Eve) | 1,072 |
| Venus Bay (T.K.L.) | 1,050 |
| Wayworth (Wayfoong) | 1,000 |
| Fair Chance (Weetoo) | 1,000 |
| Angel of Glory (L. & Y.) | 1,000 |
| Racylight (Cire) | 1,000 |
| Catterick Bridge (C. L. Gregory) | 1,000 |
| Royal Sovereign (Grake) | 1,000 |
| Hascossay (T. & E.) | 1,000 |
| Shuttlecock (S. T. Williamson) | 1,000 |
| Centre Court (T.K.L.) | 1,000 |
| The Koala Bear (Tester & Abraham) | 1,000 |
| Anzac Day (Chau & Chau) | 1,000 |
| Night Express (Necan) | 1,000 |
| Hole-In-One (Golf) | 1,000 |
| Joan (Chanol) | 1,000 |
| Eve of Dancing (Eve) | 950 |
| Roofly (Ellandee) | 950 |
| Johnber (Marber) | 900 |
| Via Major (Lee Bros.) | 900 |
| Lovelylight (Cire) | 883 |
| Gladiator (Eve) | 850 |
| Twinkling Star (E.S.K.) | 800 |
| Royal Sovereign (G. A. Harriman) | 800 |
| Contact (Ellandee) | 800 |
| Conquering Time (Li Po-chun) | 750 |
| Hillsboro Bay (T.K.L.) | 750 |
| A Rosy Time (Miss Li Po-chun) | 750 |
| Eve of Grandeur (Eve) | 750 |
| Misty View (Lan) | 750 |
| Odeon (T.K.L.) | 750 |
| Shuttlecock (Monestoy) | 750 |
| Bendigo (Y. L.) | 750 |
| Far View (Lan) | 700 |
| Galaxy (Chau-K.) | 700 |
| Iron Beauty (Iron) | 700 |
| Hughes (Marber I) | 700 |
| Eve of Hunting (Eve) | 700 |
| Eve of Folly (Eve) | 650 |
| Thirty-Six (Numerals) | 650 |

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|-----------------------------------|-----|
| Amber II (Highlight) | 600 |
| Harmony Star (S. W. Lee) | 600 |
| Snow White (Mok Kon-sang) | 600 |
| King Kong (Cocoa) | 600 |
| Portrush (H. Leigh) | 600 |
| King's Welcome (Dynasty) | 600 |
| Dashing Beauty (Cal) | 600 |
| Ratio Decidendi (Lee Bros.) | 600 |
| Graceful View (Lan) | 600 |
| Spicylight (Cire) | 550 |
| Iron Belle (Iron) | 550 |
| Gay Fox (Eu Tung-sen) | 550 |
| Eve of Reason (Eve) | 525 |
| Eve of Deception (Eve) | 500 |
| Corvette (Cladsheba) | 500 |
| Pumpnickel (T.L.) | 500 |
| Lancashire Lass (Necan) | 500 |
| Battle (New Line) | 500 |
| Bendigo (Mrs. J. H. Taggart) | 500 |
| Locus Standi (Lee Bros.) | 400 |
| Royal Wedding Eve (W. T. Stanton) | 400 |
| Devonian (Lady North-cote) | 350 |
| Amusement Tax (Taxpayer) | 350 |
| Vitamin M (S.S.) | 300 |
| Raconteur (Manetta) | 300 |
| Casino (Bridge) | 300 |
| Hughes (Marber) | 300 |
| Lovely Star (Kong Bros.) | 300 |
| Seventy-Six (Numerals) | 300 |
| Potentate (Eu Tong-sen) | 300 |
| Rose Jane (Eu Tong-sen) | 300 |
| Jennifer (Quartermaster) | 300 |
| Tobaccochip (Sikit) | 300 |

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| Musketeer (Li Chi Choh) | 300 |
| Rose Emily (Eu Tong Sen) | 300 |
| Triumphant Day (Chau Bros.) | 300 |
| Strathalbyn (Macgregor) | 300 |
| Gold Rod | 300 |
| Sydney Diamond (Diamonds) | 300 |
| Hopeful Star (Kong Bros.) | 300 |
| National Reform (Why) | 300 |
| Spring Shine (T. W. Lee) | 300 |
| Riverside (Peter and Paul) | 261 |
| Burford (Quartermaster) | 250 |
| Seal River (Gredmaka) | 250 |
| Brown Derby (Cocoa) | 250 |
| A Good Time (I.M.M.F.) | 250 |
| Colorado Star (Ellandee) | 250 |
| Lovely View (Lan) | 450 |
| Daylight (Cire, Jnr.) | 250 |
| Rowan (Ash) | 250 |
| West Lake (S. W. Lee) | 250 |
| Cockleoi (Necan) | 250 |
| Criffel (John Peel) | 250 |
| Surprise Again (Sewell) | 200 |
| Lilliber (Marber) | 200 |
| Emergency Unit (H. Leigh) | 200 |
| Bredon (Tinson) | 200 |
| Jobber (Marber) | 200 |
| Double Finesse | 200 |
| Sea Jay (S. T. Williamson) | 200 |
| Ozark (T.K.L.) | 200 |
| Odin (T.K.L.) | 200 |
| Dignitas (T. and W.) | 200 |
| Crack Shot (S. W. Lee) | 200 |
| Sunlight View (Lan) | 150 |
| Celtic Star (S.L.K.) | 150 |
| Expansion Time (Li Po-chun) | 100 |

JOCKEY'S AND OWNERS' RECORDS

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| | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|---|---|---|--------------------|---|---|---|
| H. Leigh | 1 | 0 | 1 | C. N. K. | 0 | 1 | 3 |
| P. & L. | 1 | 0 | 1 | Cocoa | 0 | 1 | 3 |
| Pearstur | 1 | 0 | 1 | Tester & Abraham | 0 | 1 | 2 |
| Shields & Stanton | 1 | 0 | 1 | T. & E. | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| S. T. Williamson | 1 | 0 | 1 | Quartermaster | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Numerals | 1 | 0 | 1 | G. A. Harriman | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Y. L. | 1 | 0 | 1 | Mok Kon-sang | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Highlight | 1 | 0 | 0 | Cire, Jnr. | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Chan K. | 1 | 0 | 0 | Lady Northcote | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| C. W. K. | 1 | 0 | 0 | New Line | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Cal | 1 | 0 | 0 | Li Shiu-fai | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Young Bros. | 1 | 0 | 0 | T. W. Lee | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Weetoo | 1 | 0 | 0 | Cladsheba | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Hollandia | 1 | 0 | 0 | Peter & Paul | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| P. M. Hoo | 1 | 0 | 0 | T. L. | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| C. L. Gregory | 1 | 0 | 0 | W. T. Stanton | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Kwok Yee-chun | 1 | 0 | 0 | I. L. | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Treverton | 1 | 0 | 0 | S. S. | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Mrs. B. Hall | 1 | 0 | 0 | Manetta | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| S. W. | 1 | 0 | 0 | Solemnly | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Chanol | 1 | 0 | 0 | I. M. M. F. | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Wayfoong | 1 | 0 | 0 | Ash | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Grake | 1 | 0 | 0 | Mrs. J. T. Taggart | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| L. & Y. | 1 | 0 | 0 | John Peel | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Monestoy | 1 | 0 | 0 | S. L. K. | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Ellandee | 0 | 5 | 1 | Chan Bros. | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Iron | 0 | 2 | 3 | L. T. F. | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| C. H. Chan | 0 | 2 | 3 | T. & W. | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Lucky | 0 | 2 | 1 | Taxpayer | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Chau & Chau | 0 | 2 | 0 | Sikit | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| | | | | J. F. MacGregor | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| | | | | G. W. Sewell | 0 | 0 | 1 |

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R.A.F. STRAFING IN LIBYA

Attacks on enemy-occupied aerodromes and other military objectives in Iraq, and bombing of similar targets in other theatres of the Middle East, were reported in an R.A.F. Middle East communique yesterday.

The communique stated, Cyrenaica: Derna aerodrome, upon which a considerable number of enemy aircraft were dispersed, was bombed by aircraft of the R.A.F. both during the night of May 9/10 and on Saturday.

At Jedabaya some large Junkers troop-carrying aircraft were bombed and damaged.

Our fighters maintained active patrols and one Messerschmidt 109 was destroyed on Gageald aerodrome as it was beginning to take off. A large number of enemy aircraft were on the aerodrome. These were machine-gunned by our fighters.

Iraq: Our aircraft continue to attack rebel-occupied aerodromes and other military objectives.

Barracks, aerodrome buildings and a transport park had more than 12 direct hits on them.

Abyssinia: Both fighter and bomber aircraft of the South African Air Force continued to support the troops in rounding

German Night Fighters Shot Down

THE ATTACK ON HAMBURG ON SATURDAY NIGHT WAS AS EFFECTIVE AS IT WAS FIERCE, STATES THE AIR MINISTRY NEWS SERVICE, AND BOMBER PILOTS REPORT DAMAGE THROUGHOUT THE CITY.

Under a clear sky and full moon, which showed up the ground in detail, the R.A.F. swept through a barrage to drop load after heavy load of high explosives and incendiaries.

Once again the industrial quarters and the whole spread of the docks were hammered and left blazing.

UNDER A STORM OF INCENDIARIES MORE AND MORE FIRES CAME TO LIFE ELSEWHERE IN THE CITY.

Industrial plant and factories were easy targets for the R.A.F. bomb-aimers, and sticks of explosives fell across goods yards and railway tracks and yet more fires were added to the destruction in the submarine building yards.

Out Of Control

In one district a great fire roared up, one of many which pilots declared appeared altogether beyond control.

Up the remains of the Italian East African army.

From all operations under review two aircraft are missing. Reuter.

IT WAS NOT ONLY A NIGHT OF FORMIDABLE BOMBING BUT ALSO OF MARKED SUCCESS AGAINST THE MANY FIGHTERS WHICH THE ENEMY PUT UP TO HELP THE GROUND DEFENCES.

Four enemy aircraft are known to have been destroyed and at least two severely damaged by British bombers. — Reuter.

"Amazing Sight"

The results of some of our bombs have been described by crews that carried them.

"The night was so clear that when one of our heavy bombs left the aircraft I could see it going down for 1,000 feet, said a bomb aimer.

"Then came the most amazing sight I have ever seen. The flash of the burst was like a great flaming red ball half a mile across.

"EVEN AT THE HEIGHT WE WERE FLYING WE FELT THE KICK FROM BLAST.

"EVERYTHING INSIDE THE BALL SEEMED TO BE BURNING AND CRUMBLING AND THE DOCKS ALL AROUND AS WELL AS THE SKY WERE LIT UP.

"A large block of buildings was caught in the flames and a few minutes later there was a shattering explosion."

When another heavy bomb whizzed down the crew reported "All flak and searchlights in wide radius immediately stopped."

Meanwhile, under a storm of incendiaries, more and more fires came to life elsewhere in the city.

Easy Targets

Industrial plants and factories, their chimneys standing up like black ninepins against the moonlit waterways, were easy targets for our bomb-aimers.

A stick of high explosives fell across a goods yards and railway tracks and yet more fires added to the destruction in the submarine building yards.

In one district a great fire roared up, one of many which our pilots declared appeared to be altogether beyond control.

First Trip

One bomber, captained by a New Zealander, who was making his first raid on Germany, was attacked by a Junkers 88 and three Messerschmidts.

After a brief engagement two of the Messerschmidts were driven off and a third was shot down in flames.

As the crew watched it falling the Junkers 88 came in and began a persistent attack which only ended when the enemy went down in flames.

Berlin Visitors

On the way back from Berlin another of our bombers was engaged by two ME110's firing cannon and machine-guns from a range of 400 yards.

The bomber dived and for a moment shook off the enemy. The rear gunner held his fire until the enemy closed in again and then let them have it.

One of the Messerschmidts crashed and the other, shooting wildly, very soon gave up the fight. — British Wireless, etc.

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GOVERNOR OF MACAO LEAVES

His Excellency the Governor of Macao and Madame Teixeira, accompanied by Captain Silva e Costa, A.D.C., left for Macao at 8 a.m. to-day, after an official visit to the Colony lasting 2-1/2 days.

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BATTLES OF THE NIGHT

Free French and Czech pilots helped British night fighter "aces" to make Saturday night's attack on London the most costly the Luftwaffe has ever suffered in any night blitz on Britain.

One French Flight-Lieutenant, patrolling the skies, saw one Nazi raider caught in the gleam of searchlights over the capital. He closed in and after his first attack saw the bomber dive. He followed it down for 7,000 feet, but saw that it was out of control. It exploded on hitting the ground. A Czech sergeant-pilot of the same squadron intercepted and destroyed another bomber which was on its way home. The Squadron Leader of the unit also bagged one machine which plunged headlong in flames.

Two In Few Minutes

One pilot destroyed two bombers within a few minutes after a chase to the Dutch coast. He followed one out to sea and although it strove constantly to regain its base, he caught it up at only 300 feet altitude near its aerodrome.

At the first direct attack, the raider blew into a great mass of flame. As soon as the pilot had recovered from the glare, he saw another bomber take off from the aerodrome. He gave it a long burst from his guns and sent it straight to the ground, where it broke up.

His fighter-plane was now down to fifty feet and he had to climb quickly to avoid anti-aircraft fire. —Reuter.

STILL SEARCHING IN DEBRIS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Bands of rescue workers are still searching in the debris of one of the fiercest Nazi raids yet made on London, for dead and wounded.

The Air Ministry announced that casualties are high in the raid, which lasted for over six hours on Saturday night and Sunday morning.

HUGE FORMATIONS OF NAZI BOMBERS DROPPED AN UNCEASING STREAM OF INCENDIARY AND EXPLOSIVE BOMBS.

A new alert sounded in London before dark last night but the all clear went two hours later. —International News Service.

DAMAGED IN BLITZ

Abbey And British Museum Also Hit

IT WAS DISCLOSED IN LONDON LAST NIGHT THAT THE HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT, WESTMINSTER ABBEY AND THE BRITISH MUSEUM WERE DAMAGED IN SATURDAY NIGHT'S FIRE RAID ON LONDON.

The world-famed clock "Big Ben," whose chimes have been heard in all corners of the earth through the B.B.C., was also hit. High explosives and incendiaries fell on all three places, while Westminster Abbey, opposite, was also set on fire.

In the House of Commons the debating chamber has been wrecked, and it is feared it can never be used again until it has been rebuilt.

In the House of Lords, the superintendent is understood to have been killed while assisting fire fighters' operations, and three others were killed. Other members of the staff who worked right through the night, extinguishing flames and saving valuable records and relics, had remarkable escapes when bombs fell.

Some bombs also smashed the famous Members' Lobby which had already been hit in previous raids and was shored up by elaborate scaffolding.

What some consider the most magnificent roof in the world, that of Westminster Hall, with its soaring arches and sweeping beams of oak, was pierced by bombs and damage done to the interior. The hall was started by William Rufus in 1018. It is thought to be the largest hall in the world with a roof unsupported by pillars.

Big Ben Hit

"Big Ben," although hit by high explosive, is still chiming the strokes. Only slight damage was done to part of the masonry just above the clock.

The Deanery of Westminster Abbey, which is one of the best examples of a medieval house in England, has been destroyed.

THE FABRICS OF THE ABBEY IS INTACT, THOUGH THE ROOF OF THE LOWER SQUARE TOWER OF THE CENTRE OF THE BUILDING HAS FALLEN IN.

The most historic parts of the Abbey were uninjured, including the part where the Royal tombs are situated.

"Most of the archives, usually the important part of abbey buildings, have survived," said an architect. "The fact that the 10th century roof has been destroyed is an irreparable thing, although the Abbey is now open to the public."

British Museum

The British Museum was set alight by a shower of incendiaries, which burnt through the roof and set fire to the back of the building. Fire watchers on the roof dealt

Critical Senate Debate

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The U.S. Congress is headed for a full-dress historic debate on the war, with the demand for convoys and approval of the Bill permitting the acquisition of foreign ships in American waters as background.

The battle between the non-interventionists and those advocating all-out aid to Britain is scheduled to reach full force in the Senate when it begins the debate on the Ships Seizure Bill, which would authorize the President to requisition 88 foreign ships. — International News Service.

MUCH ADD ABOUT NOTHING

DISCARDING ALL HER CLOTHES AT THE JUNCTION OF DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL AND ICE HOUSE STREET AT 10 A.M. YESTERDAY, A YOUNG WELL-DRESSED CHINESE WOMAN APPROACHED THE FIRST MAN SHE CAME ACROSS AND STARTED A TORRENT OF ABUSE, ACCUSING HIM OF DESERTION.

A woman among the crowd which gathered in the neighbourhood, however, managed to persuade the young nudist to put on her clothes, and led her away.

PRESIDENT CHALLENGED TO ASK CONGRESS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Congressman Tinkham (Republican, Massachusetts), declaring in Washington yesterday that "Cabinet members, their associates and the President," are advocating American entry into the war, challenged the President to ask Congress for a declaration of war. — International News Service.

GAYDA MAKES A PROPHECY

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Virginio Gayda, the Italian spokesman, told the press in Rome yesterday that "a new phase in Axis action, both in the East and West Mediterranean, is imminent."

IN ALL PROBABILITY HE WAS REFERRING TO GIBRALTAR AND SUEZ.

Gayda added: "The battleship Queen Elizabeth has joined the British Mediterranean forces. England is preparing a new desperate blow but the Axis intends to keep the initiative." — International News Service.

BENGHAZI CRIPPLED

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

It is now confirmed that the British Mediterranean Fleet, assisted by the R.A.F., left crippling damage in Benghazi harbour.

Two Axis ships laden with munitions, lying in the harbour, were blown to bits, harbour facilities were heavily damaged and enemy positions disrupted.

It was the second Mediterranean Fleet victory in a few hours. — International News Service.



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REALISTIC ARMY MANOEUVRES

German Panzer Division Hurlled Into The Sea Great New Tanks In Action On Salisbury Plain

(By Reuter's Special Correspondent With The Southern Command)

BRITISH HEAVY TANKS, ROLLING IN HUNDREDS ACROSS SALISBURY PLAIN, SWEPT "A GERMAN PANZER DIVISION" INTO THE SEA AND RELENTLESSLY ROLLED UP AN ENEMY INVADING FORCE.

That is what happened during a four-day exercise in which one of Britain's armoured divisions and 50,000 troops have just taken part.

In theory, at any rate, all the invading force was wiped out, largely thanks to a flanking movement undertaken by British tanks whose commander, using the same tactics so successful in Libya, gave the enemy no rest but sat on top of them mile after mile as they made their withdrawal.

To make the exercise as realistic as possible famous British cavalry regiments, now mechanised, played the part of a panzer division, basing its operations on what is known of Nazi methods.

General Alexander, G.O.C. Southern Command, told me the whole exercise was designed to test how speedily and effectively reserve mobile troops can be brought into battle.

A full infantry division was called in from headquarters seven hours after the German "landing." By dawn their advance units were contacting the enemy and by eleven o'clock in the morning two days later the invaders were vanquished.

Mobile Radio

Army Cooperation planes, hundreds of mobile radio cars, despatch riders and field telephones, all were utilised for communications, whose speed and accuracy were astonishing.

When a motor-cyclist was captured with a clue showing where the German headquarters was, it was only a matter of minutes before bombers were strafing the place.

General Sir Alan Brooke, G.O.C. Home Forces, toured the battle area, as did Major-General Martel, Commanding the Royal Armoured Corps.

I RODE IN ONE OF THE LATEST HEAVY TANKS NOW MASS PRODUCED, WHICH INSIDE IS AN INFERNO OF NOISE, BUT FROM WITHOUT LOOKS AS SMOOTH AND SINISTER AS A BATTLE-CRUISER. — REUTER.

REGISTRY WEDDINGS

The following were married at the Supreme Court Registry to-day:

Mr. Alejandro Sanchez Tam, student, and Miss Ruth Ma, of No. 6, King's Terrace.

Mr. Au Wing-lop, salesman, and Miss Hui Su-wan, of No. 13, Ching Li Terrace.

Mr. Ma Sum-chai, shroff, and Miss Leung Pul-ying, of No. 85, Bonham Road.

Mr. Chan Shiu, clerk, and Miss Kwan Chui-po, of No. 35, Wong-nel-chong Road.

Mr. Tung King-tong, broker, and Miss To Sue-ye, of No. 106, Gloucester Road.

GEN. SIKORSKI FLIES ATLANTIC IN NEW BOMBER

General Sikorski, the Polish Prime Minister, flew back to Britain from the United States on Saturday in one of the American-made bombers which are regularly ferried across the Atlantic to Britain. — Reuter.

Germans Call It Reprisal

A German High Command communique says the German raid on London on Saturday night was a reprisal for the British bombing of "residential quarters" of various German towns, including Berlin, during the last few nights.

The communique says a "fairly strong enemy force" bombed Hamburg on Saturday night, causing numerous fires and much destruction by high explosive and incendiary bombs. There were dead and injured among the civilian population.

"A few planes succeeded in reaching the outskirts of Berlin. Night fighters shot down eight British planes."

Referring to North Africa, the Nazi communique says that in the Tobruk area military operations have been restricted to artillery activity on both sides. — Reuter.

CANNOT WAIT TILL WAR ENDS

The Archbishop of Canterbury, addressing the second Sword of the Spirit meeting in London yesterday, said: "The first aim of this tremendous war we are now engaged in is the destruction of this powerful and evil force and the liberation of nations which are now held in bondage."

"It is unthinkable that after the war men should not set themselves to conceive an order of civilisation better than that which is now being destroyed before their eyes."

"We cannot and dare not wait until the war is over. It will help us in the immediate struggle if we can see beyond the distress and darkness some promise of the coming of a better day."

It was plain that men had lost their way and they had trusted in themselves and neglected God, and the wrong use of science and machines had subordinated man to the machine. — Reuter.

U.S. BANS ITALIAN "CHARITIES"

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The State Department has revoked the permits and barred the further activities of two Italian organisations soliciting funds in the United States.

The Federation of Italian World War Veterans in the U.S.A., Incorporated, New York, and the Ladies Auxiliary Providence branch of the Federation of Italian World War Veterans in the United States, are the bodies concerned.

The Department says: "The two bodies are closely identified with the Italian Government and must be regarded as organisations acting for or on behalf of that Government." — International News Service.

NEW JAPANESE NAVAL CHIEF

Rear-Admiral Kumeichi Hiraoka has been appointed commander of Japanese naval forces in the Shanghai area, succeeding Rear-Admiral Kobayashi, who returned to Tokyo yesterday to serve on the Naval Ministry. — Reuter.



GRIM TOKEN. Enthusiasts driving nails in Hitler's coffin. A picture in connection with Croydon's War Weapons Week. — (Copyright, Fox.)

SHANGHAI KIDNAPPING WAVE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") SHORTLY AFTER THE SHANGHAI POLICE HAD BEEN INFORMED BY A MYSTERY PHONE CALL OF THE KIDNAPPING LAST NIGHT OF THE PROCURATOR OF THE THIRD BRANCH KIANGSU HIGH COURT (UNDER NANKING ADMINISTRATION) ANOTHER PHONE CALL CAME INFORMING THE POLICE OF A SECOND KIDNAPPING.

A prominent Chinese businessman was the second victim. Both are believed to be connected with the Nanking regime.

The procurator's wife and child were also kidnapped by the gang. — International News Service.

Daring Abductions

Reuter describes the abductions, which followed the recent kidnapping of Miss Chow Sing-tsin, secretary for the Chungking District Court, as daring.

Both victims of yesterday's coups were spirited away from their homes in the foreign areas by Chinese gunmen. The victims were Yu Sze-wel, a judge, and Chang Chung-sze, one of the Procurators.

In addition, the wife and son of Fong Ching-wei, another judge, were abducted from their home in the French Concession late last night. — Reuter.

NAZIS CHARTER RUSSIAN VESSELS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") It was reported in Istanbul yesterday that Russia has chartered eight of her Black Sea freighters to Germany and that these ships are already transporting war supplies from Russia to Italy. — International News Service.

NAZI TROOPS ARRIVE IN SYRIA

French quarters in London state that some German troops from the Dodecanese have landed in Syria. — International News Service.

IBN SAUD DECLINES TO HELP

King Ibn Saud of the Hedjaz has informed the Iraqi usurper, Raschid Ali, that he is unable to offer any kind of assistance to the anti-British movement in Iraq, according to reports reaching Cairo yesterday.

He is also said to have refused to give protection to Raschid Ali himself.

Other reports say a personal envoy sent by Raschid Ali to the Iranian capital, Teheran, is understood to have met with no success.

OFFICIAL IRANIAN ATTITUDE TO THE EVENTS IN IRAQ IS ONE OF COMPLETE DISAPPROVAL. — REUTER.

THE GOOD EARTH IN BETWEEN

The British Ambassador to China, Sir Archibald Clark-Kerr, and the British Embassy staff were sheltering in a dug-out when several bombs landed directly above them during a Japanese raid on Chungking, it is now revealed. All were unhurt. — Reuter.

FIVE-YEAR PLAN FOR WOOL

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") A five-year plan for increasing wool production in North-West China is being set in motion by the Ministry of Economics in Chungking. The aim is 420,000 piculs of wool annually. — Our Own Correspondent.

PLAN TO CLOSE UP PHILIPPINE LEAKAGE

Blockade Measure To Be Extended

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

AS A NATIONAL defence measure the U.S. War Department will shortly ask Congress for legislation authorising the application of the export licensing control system to the Philippines to prevent the shipment of chrome, manganese, hemp and cocoanut oil to Germany and to curb shipments to Russia and Japan.

Considerable quantities of these supplies are going to Vladivostok, and the U.S. Government is convinced most of them reach Germany.

As soon as the system is applied, the Government will clamp down a very strict control on all important exports and will not grant licences for any potential war supplies which there is reason to believe are intended for Germany.

Russian and Japanese licences will be granted strictly on a horse-trading basis. If Russia and Japan periodically grant the United States economic and political favours, limited supplies will be released.

Britain has long been eager to plug this leak in the blockade, and the State Department in Washington collaborated with the War Department in reaching the decision.

International News Service

DANGER TO DEFENCE OF PANAMA

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

On the ground that they must be considered a danger to the defence of the Panama Canal, a far-reaching campaign to wipe out German and Italian air-line companies from North and South America has been started by the United States, according to Washington reports.

Efforts are being made to replace Axis airline companies by American companies and American capital.

It is stated that the Under-Secretary of State, Mr. Sumner Welles, has the handling of the matter, and that so far, Colombia and Peru, have decided to withdraw licences for German airline companies to operate, while three other countries are expected to do likewise.

South American pilots will be given all facilities to study in the United States.—International News Service.

CAROL IN BERMUDA

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Ex-King Carol of Rumania and Madame Lupescu have found a haven in the New World.

They arrived at Hamilton (Bermuda) on Saturday in the American liner "Excambion," which steamed into harbour with the Rumanian flag flying from the bow.

Hundreds of Bermudans, as well as officials, greeted Carol, International News Service.

EVIDENCE SAILS

PLEADING NOT GUILTY TO STEALING AN IRON DAVIT FROM A BRITISH SHIP IN HARBOUR YESTERDAY, TO SO-HO, 29, CARPENTER, AND CHAN KAM, 35, MISTRESS OF BOAT NO. 783V, WERE DISCHARGED BY MR. D. J. N. ANDERSON AT KOWLOON THIS MORNING, BECAUSE NO WITNESSES COULD BE CALLED TO GIVE EVIDENCE THE SHIP HAD SAILED YESTERDAY.

The mistress was, alternatively, charged with receiving the davit.

According to the prosecution, Sergeant McDonald, who was patrolling on board a police launch yesterday morning, answered the ship's police signal and went on board. The Sergeant was told that an iron davit had been stolen from the poop deck.

Later, the police found the davit on second accused's boat and through her, first accused was arrested.

She alleged that the carpenter asked her to take it ashore, while the carpenter alleged that he saw she lowered the davit to her boat from the vessel herself. Both pleaded not guilty.

FLAMING ARROWS IN AFRICA

East African forces operating against Azozo, the big Italian military base in Western Abyssinia, are using with advantage a new and terrifying weapon.

It is an incendiary arrow and is used by a small group of irregular levies—bowmen picked from a Sudanese tribe famed for archery.

The arrow can be shot at ranges up to 300 yards, and the most terrifying element about it is its silence. Bowmen surround by night groups of grass huts which form the Italian camp—the Azozo garrison are almost all housed in such huts—and let loose a hail of arrows.

The soft thud of their impact is inaudible to the enemy. A few seconds later their incendiary mixture flares up, and the Italian quarters are ablaze before they are aware of the attack.

The arrow was devised by a young Sudanese official, a former Rugger "Blue".



El Adem was the largest aerodrome in Libya. Thanks to the bombing by the Royal Air Force the remains of more than 87 Italian aeroplanes were found unserviceable when the British took the place. Photo shows the results of the Royal Air Force bombing on one of the workshops at El Adem. (Copyright, Fox).

HITLER RUNNING INTO DIPLOMATIC HITCHES

NEW DIPLOMATIC SUCCESSES CONFIDENTLY ANTICIPATED BY BERLIN HAVE NOT MATERIALISED, ACCORDING TO REPORTS FROM THE NAZI CAPITAL RECEIVED IN ZURICH YESTERDAY.

"A clear decision" by Vichy has not yet been taken on the resumption of collaboration along the lines desired by Germany, says the Berlin correspondent of the "Basler Nachrichten."

The return to Turkey of the German Ambassador, Franz von Papen, is considered a sign that Turkey developments are far from being a fait accompli, as recently hinted by the "Berliner Boersen Zeitung," organ of the Wilhelmstrasse.

THE NEW APPOINTMENTS IN SPAIN HAVE BEEN REGARDED AS A SIGN THAT THE LATENT OPPOSITION BETWEEN GENERAL FRANCO AND SENOR SUNER, HIS BROTHER-IN-LAW AND FOREIGN MINISTER, OVER SPAIN'S POLICY IS TAKING SHAPE.

The Wilhelmstrasse insists, of course, that General Franco's move is exclusively an internal matter.

Finally, there is also the hitch in the frontier negotiations in Zagreb between Ciano, Italian Foreign Minister, and Pavelitch, head of Germany's puppet state of Croatia, which is reported by the Budapest correspondent of the "Basler Nachrichten."—Reuter.

GENERAL MOTORS STRIKE ISSUES

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The negotiations to end the threatened General Motors strike have been postponed till tomorrow. The negotiations are still in the collective bargaining stage.

AIR BADGES FOR SCOUTS

If any of our R.A.F. lads make a forced landing they're likely to be met by a small boy who will—

Name three possible landing grounds in the neighbourhood.
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Improvise shocks.
Give information of landmarks.

The knowing youngster will be a member of the newly-formed Air Scout branch of the Boy Scouts.

The Air Scout must learn such information to win one of the three new proficiency badges and the hat badge.

Here are some of the things boys will have to do to earn them: Air Apprentice.—Know how to conduct himself safely when on an aerodrome or near a plane; be of practical help to a pilot by indicating wind direction by picketing, or by using shocks; understand the importance of keeping unauthorised people away from a plane; know what constitutes a reasonable landing ground and name three.

Air Mechanic.—Have a technical knowledge of planes and their engines. Make a glider weighing not less than 11b. which will glide at least 100 yards.

Air Navigator.—Keep a daily record of the weather for two months; understand an air map and compass; plot a route, allowing for a specified angle of drift.

GERMAN WOUNDED IN BALKAN BATTLES

German wounded in Bulgaria number 6,000, and in Rumania 10,000, according to estimates checked by direct evidence, says an Istanbul message to the Independent French Agency in London yesterday quoted by Reuter.

ROOSEVELT TO DECLARE POLICY?

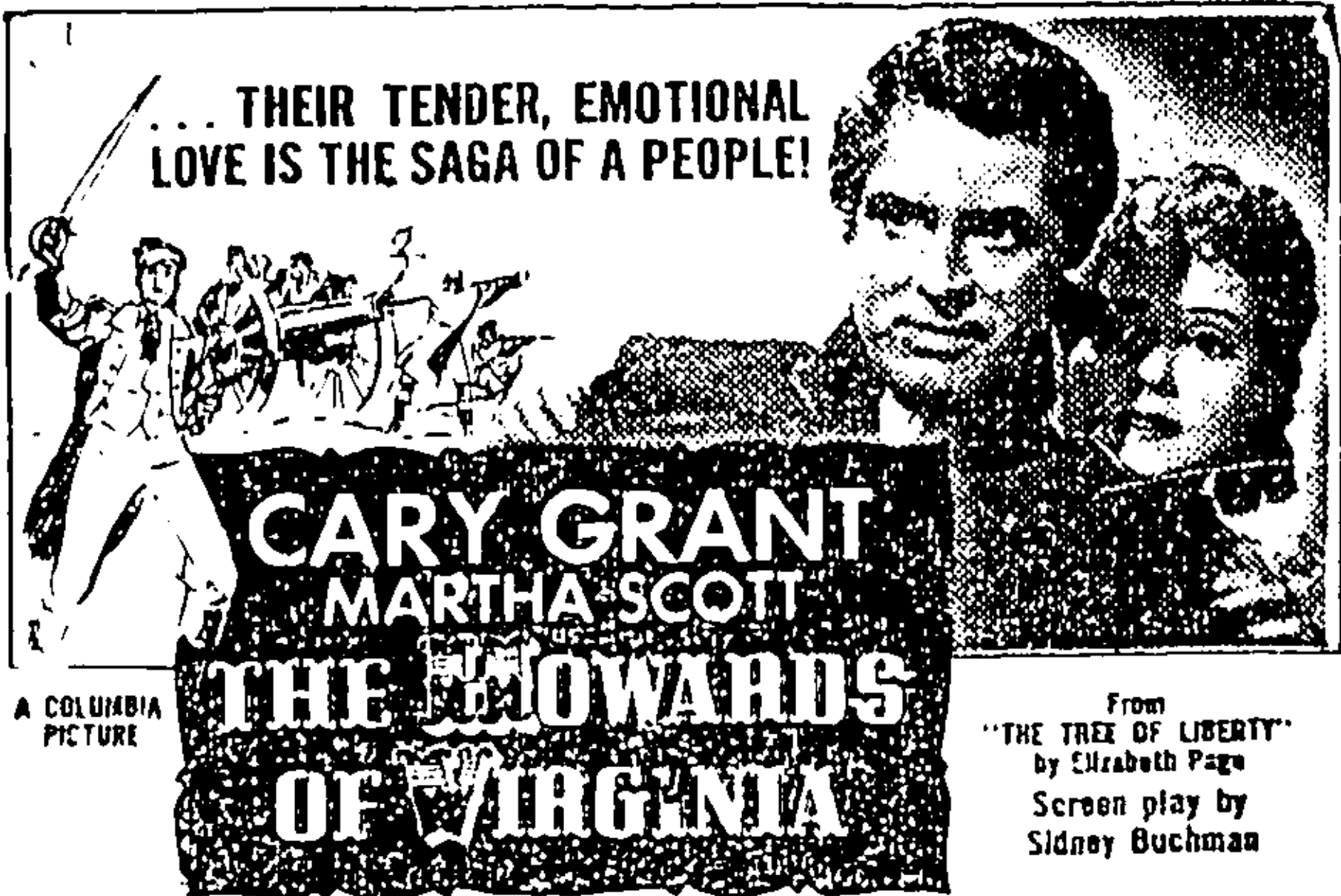
(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") Washington is buzzing with reports that President Roosevelt will make one of the year's most momentous foreign policy pronouncements at the Pan-American Union meeting on Wednesday night.

Those who have seen the President's draft speech declare it will deal with matters "far more important than the convoy question." The speech, which will be delivered at 11 p.m. (Washington time), will be broadcast on short wave to Europe and Latin America.

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Mr. Winston Churchill inspecting raid damage during a recent tour of the country. (Copyright, Fox).

IMPERIAL FORCES CLOSING IN ON AMBA ALAGI

WHILE A STRONG South African and Patriot force is marching from the south on Amba Alagi, 9,000-foot high natural fortress in northern Abyssinia, where some 30,000 Italians are estimated to be at bay, British troops slowly but surely are closing in on them from the north.

The British forces are preparing for a determined attack on the fortress, the fall of which is inevitable.

Operations are taking place in the rarefied mountain atmosphere in this region, which demands great stamina and endurance on the part of the attacking force.

Indians engaged in an attack on an outlying hill, saw white flags appear on its summit.

ADVANCING TO ACCEPT THE SURRENDER OF THE HEIGHT THEY WERE ALLOWED TO APPROACH WITHIN GRENADE RANGE WHEN THE ITALIANS HURLED SCORES OF BOMBS, CAUSING SOME CASUALTIES AMONG THE INDIANS.

But the Indians continued to advance and successfully took the hill. — Reuter.

INDIAN OCEAN ENCOUNTER

When the German liner "Goburg" and the Norwegian tanker "Ketty Brovig" were intercepted in the Indian Ocean they made off in different directions.

The Australian cruiser Canberra and the New Zealand cruiser Leander immediately shelled and set them on fire.

The crews then abandoned ship and were picked up by the cruisers.

The above details were announced by Mr. W. M. Hughes, Australian Navy Minister, in Sydney yesterday. — Reuter.

SINGAPORE CONFERENCE

MR. CLARENCE GAUSS, NEWLY-APPOINTED UNITED STATES AMBASSADOR TO CHUNGKING ARRIVED IN SHANGHAI THIS MORNING ON BOARD THE "PRESIDENT GARFIELD."

Mr. Gauss was said to have told Japanese newsmen that military and Government officials of the Philippines, Australia, the N.E.I., Burma and Chungking will meet in Singapore soon for an important conference.

He added, however, he did not know whether he would attend it. — Reuter.

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CONQUERED BUT NOT SUBDUED

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The Belgian Embassy in Washington declares that the struggle for the liberation of Belgium continues, though the King is a prisoner of war and the country is ruled by a German military governor.

"As in 1914 Belgium is conquered but not subdued." — International News Service.

Offer By Haile Selassie

Emperor Haile Selassie has sent a message to Mr. Churchill expressing gratitude and sympathy at the kindness shown to him by the British people and the support of British armed forces.

Haile Selassie said he was determined to see Ethiopia contribute further to the victory and he asked Mr. Churchill to thank the British forces for the successful Abyssinian campaign.

Mr. Churchill replied expressing the deep and universal satisfaction with which the people of Britain and the Empire heard of the return of the Emperor to his capital. — Reuter.

WHAT NAZI VICTORY WOULD MEAN

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

A U.S. Department of Commerce report predicts that a German victory would compel the United States to surrender some of its Democratic institutions in favour of totalitarian methods.

A triumphant Nazi state in Europe would force America to adopt a national policy of self-sufficiency involving such drastic economic measures as "might seriously affect some of our fundamental political institutions."

The Department warned that the U.S. Government might be impelled, in order to combat the Reich for survival on the world economic front, to engage in international cartel trade methods similar to those of Germany, and indirect opposition to the reciprocal trade policy which is the pillar of President Roosevelt's administration. — International News Service.

MUTT AND JEFF



PLAYS ORGAN AT SHELTERS WHILE BOMBS FALL

BOMBS AND GUNS do not silence Tom Walker's barrel organ. When air-raid sirens scream in the West End he moves his organ to the nearest shelter, parks it outside the entrance and stands there playing for those inside.

This is Tom's way of helping the war effort. He was too badly wounded in the last war to do more. The barrel organ is his means of livelihood.

"Some people are kind of nervous, see," said Tom. "And a bit of music helps to cheer 'em up in the shelter and makes 'em forget their worries."

"The folk seem to appreciate it and the warden, too. Many a time they come out and ask me to go right on playing. So I just try to ease their troubles a bit."

Tom spent two years in a German prison in a salt mine. He still suffers agonies from the effect of wounds kept open for two years by the action of the salt.

Was Bombed Out

"It was hell in there," he told the "Daily Mirror." "Nothing but salt everywhere. Our food

tasted of it. The water we drank tasted of it. Life was just one long thirst."

Only the other day Tom was bombed out of his little East End home. But not even that misfortune can get him down.

"I just plays myself a tune on the old organ," says he, "and cheers myself up."

BEAVERBROOK'S THANKS

Lord Beaverbrook, Minister of State, has thanked contributors to aircraft funds, which at the end of April totalled £13,000,000.

Of this sum 40 per cent was contributed by the colonies and dominions, 35 per cent by Britain, 15 per cent by India and 10 per cent by the Netherlands colonies. Peter

ARMY'S CANTEENS TO BE CUT

Army canteens are to be fewer, their hours of opening will be strictly limited, and they must not serve heavy meals.

These are the main points of a plan being considered by the authorities to avoid waste of food.

The problem is to give soldiers comfortable canteens without encouraging consumption of food which would reduce the supplies available for civilians, explained Major-General H. Williams, Director-General of Army Welfare, speaking in London.

We must not make our foods in canteens too lavish or the men will not eat their rations and there will be waste," he said.

New Eating Law

Not long ago there was brought into force the order prohibiting "luxury eating."

It is now an offence, punishable by fine or imprisonment or both, to serve or eat a meal consisting of more than a main dish and a subsidiary dish or two subsidiary dishes.

Under the order it will be impossible to have a meal which contains more than one of the following dishes: Fish, meat, poultry and game, or eggs.

The butter allowance will be doubled. Those who wish it can have 4 oz. of butter instead of 2oz., but the allowance of fats—butter, margarine and cooking fat—still remains at a maximum of 8oz.

NO DEMOB. MUDDLE

(BY A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

Plans for demobilising the Army at the end of the war are already being considered by the War Office.

Key men urgently needed in the reconstruction of Britain will be released first.

Men wondering what is to happen to them when the war ends will have some of their anxieties relieved by the scheme, which is based on a census of peace time jobs.

The census, which has begun throughout Britain and Northern Ireland, asks about the soldier's normal civil occupation type of work, home address and the department in which he was engaged.

His employer's name, address and business are also required. Sir Frank Sanderson, M.P., who first suggested in Parliament that no man should be discharged from the Army unless he had work to go to told me:

"Obviously if every soldier were demobbed at a certain hour at the end of the war every industry would be flooded with applications for employment. This must be avoided. There was chaos over this matter at the end of the last war. It must not happen again."

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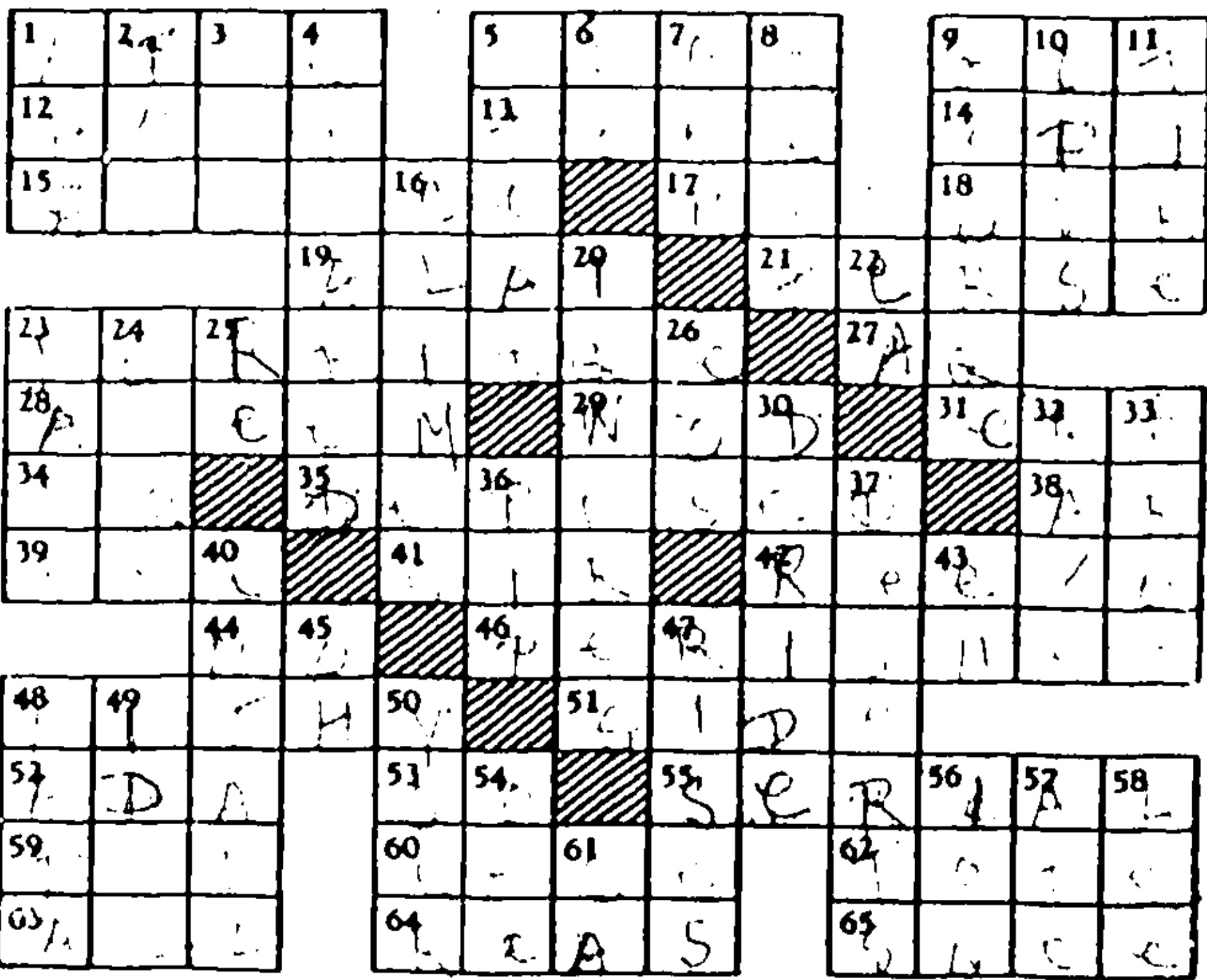
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- Became
- Stringed instrument
- Ripped
- Final
- Each
- Pronoun
- Possessive pronoun
- Turkish regiment
- Brief
- Boiled meal and water
- Symbol for silver
- To take away
- To bow
- Period of time
- Toward
- Stated on oath
- Land measure
- Before
- Title of respect
- Old English ballad
- Not any
- Expires

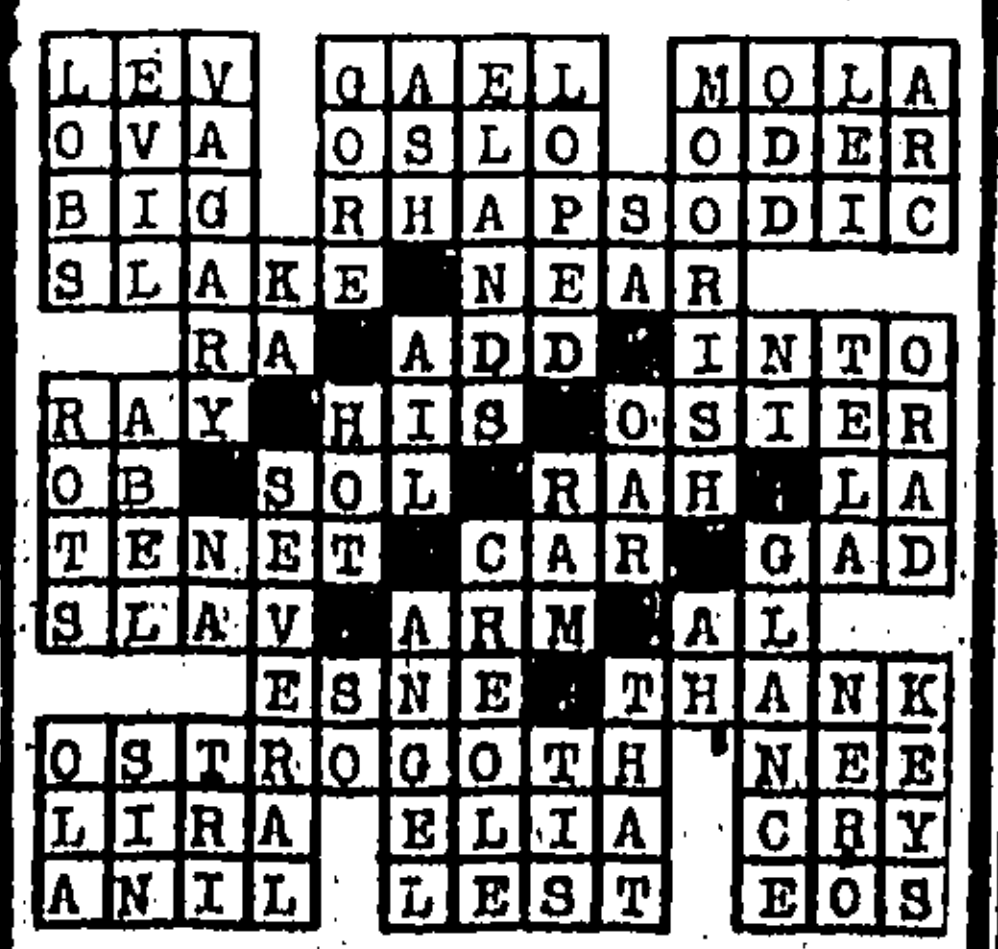
- Full of meaning
- Faction
- Girl's name
- Thus
- Successful
- Hawaiian dish
- Gaelic
- To carry
- Completely
- To raise
- Large sword

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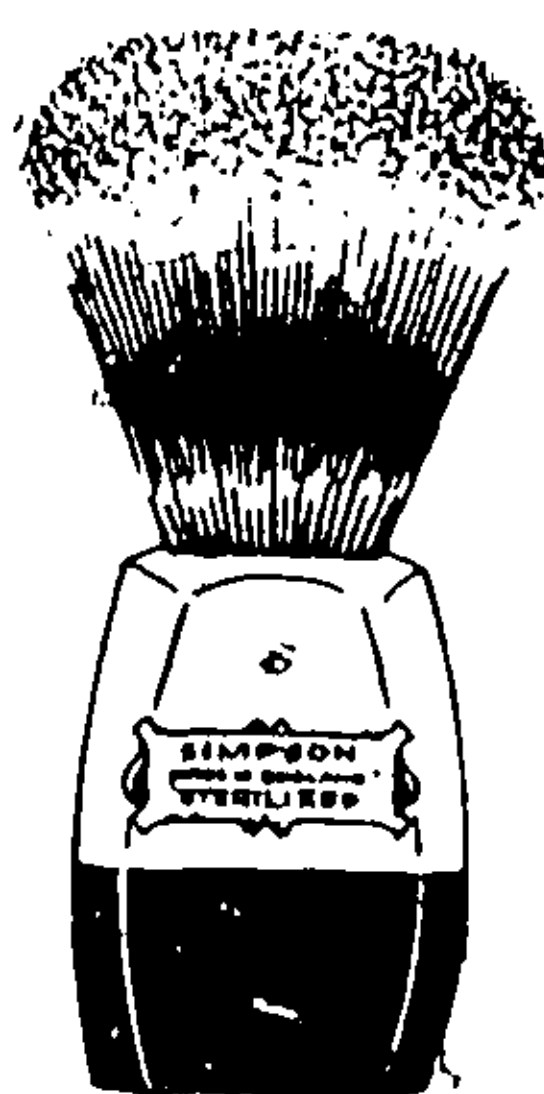
- Exclamation of triumph
- To knock
- Prefix three
- Pierced
- Place
- Observe
- To supply with weapons
- To encounter

- King of England
- Musical composition
- To fatigue
- Poetic regions
- Overlooks
- Babylonian deity
- Top of the head
- Aroma
- Note of scale
- Dawn
- Goddess
- To mock
- To rage
- War god
- Fruit seed
- Forsakes
- To necessitate
- What?
- Exclamation of surprise
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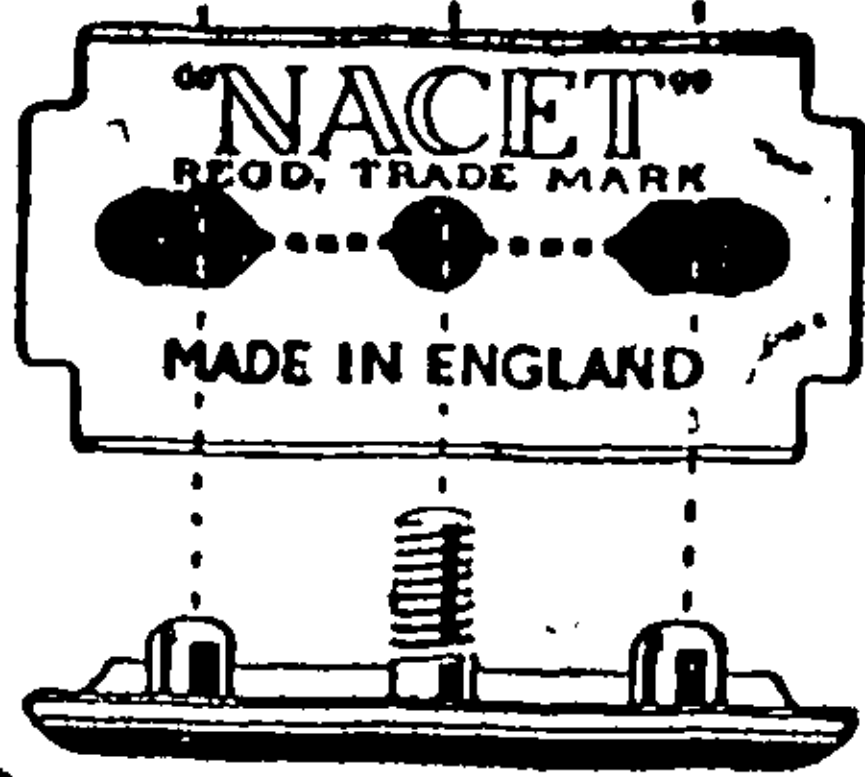
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SELF DECEPTION QUALITIES CAUSE OF

FAILURE OF ITALIAN AIR FORCE

IT IS DOUBTFUL TO-DAY whether Italy could muster 1,000 military aircraft which could lift themselves off the ground. If this number could be found, they would be outmoded planes of Spanish war vintage, useful only where there is no modern air opposition, writes the Rome correspondent of the "Christian Science Monitor." There are no new Italian plane models of any military significance.

The so-called picchiattelli, or dive bombers, mentioned in Rome communiques are German Stukas under an Italian name. Neutral observers in Rome have not been able to trace freshly produced machines even of the older types in any quantity. It is probable that the Italian aircraft industry is manufacturing parts for German planes.

A pilot receives his military brevet in Italy after approximately 100 hours of flying. This compares with an average of 250 hours in the United States.

During this period everything is done to spare the plane and spoil the pilot. Gasoline and equipment are more precious than gold in Italy, and planes are harder to replace than men. The pilot's cross-country training consists usually of one carefully conducted hop in which he simply follows his instructor. He has had perhaps two night flights, which consisted of taking the plane off the field, circling round within a carefully restricted area, and setting it down again.

This is the reverse of the American system, which turns out a self-reliant veteran of much night navigation and of many cross-country hops "on his own." The Italian pilot out of school and "ready for service" has none of that night-flying technique which is basic to modern bombing. He has little or no expert knowledge of navigation. He is trained only for formation flying which is dangerous business to-day, and is too nearly helpless when by himself. Instead of being experienced, he is green and is expected to gain his experience in battle.

"I was in a panic," confessed a young aviator to a friend of mine, "the first time I flew over Malta. It wasn't because of the British planes or the anti-aircraft fire. I was afraid to lose sight of my squadron leader. If I had, I should have been unable to find my way back alone!"

Improper Training

Improper training showed up fatally when serious air operations were attempted. Lacking ability as navigators, Italian aviators were incapable of establishing accurate, methodical reconnaissance over the Mediterranean of which they boasted complete air control. British convoys were located, too often by hit-or-miss methods, only to be lost again. This would be ground for dismissal in other air forces.

Pilots were not trained in surface naval strategy, which is essential to supporting a sea action. Nor were they taught to recognise ships. This caused one of the more ironic incidents. In the first battle of the Ionian Sea, Italian planes rushed to the rescue and furiously bombed their own ships. They simply didn't recognise them. Moreover, they did not scrupulously maintain radio communications as they should have done. They did not hear the frantic radio signals sent up by their enraged comrades below.

Happily for the Italians the aviators' aim was satisfactorily inaccurate. Nothing was hit.

Pilots, going into battle for the first time, were amazed at their own technical incompetence. "Why didn't someone tell us?" groaned one of them after realising how poor his training had been. The answer is simple: "It isn't good Fascism to tell. Loyalty is placed above all other Fascist virtues, and it is disloyal to criticise. Officials in Italy are expected to make glowing reports to their superiors saying that under Fascism, all is well."

One Type Of Plane

Consider the facts relative to the Italian planes. Their designs date from the period of the Span-

ish war. Only one type used by the Air Force was designed more recently than from three to five years ago. It was not a success and few were used. Most of the ships actually were produced more than three years ago. Three years is an aeon in modern air history.

The Air Force therefore was entirely based on conclusions drawn from the Spanish war experience. These conclusions were erroneous. The Italians then had no heavy gun opposition in the air. They had no effective anti-aircraft fire to stop their low flying. The bombing they did was "area bombing" rather than precision bombing. Strategy in the Spanish war was chiefly concerned with dog-fighting in which Italian pilots excel; whereas to-day, precision flying and good gunnery are the rule.

Immediately after the Spanish war, to-day's Italian Air Force was produced in a Fascist-sealed vacuum. Italian engineers were convinced they had the best planes. Therefore they spent their time trying to keep their secrets from the outside world. They ignored developments elsewhere.

I know of recent cases where Italian research engineers were labouring on problems long since solved in the United States or Germany, with the results openly published in American and German trade magazines. These magazines were not subscribed to nor read in Italy. It was unpatriotic and unfascist to do so. Once again, the Party's rule against self-criticism barred the door to technical efficiency.

The illusion of a good air force was heightened by several exploits which made the Italians quite self-assured. Italo Balbo's famous mass flight from Italy to the United States was executed superbly. But Marshal Balbo took the pick of the Air Force. He drilled his men for six solid months for this one flight.

Special Models

Italian aeroplanes captured several world records for height, distance, and weight carrying. But these were made by specially "suped up" planes. It didn't occur to anyone to incorporate the lessons learned into the regular Air Force.

Meanwhile, the Italian bomb-sight was very poor. Target practice had been far too casual, for Italy couldn't afford to "waste" ammunition on practice. When Italian aviators found themselves held at great heights by the British naval and land anti-aircraft fire, so that they couldn't swoop down to lay their bombs near the ground as in the Spanish War, they were helpless. The bombs were scattered far and wide.

The British tested this, and in early autumn found the Italian attacking power so feeble that they impudently ran the Queen Mary and the new Mauretania through the Sicilian Channel right under the Italian bomb-racks, without damage.

When the Italians finally met Hurricanes and Spitfires in Libya, it was as one of them bluntly said, "suicidal." "What could I do," he groaned, "with my two forward guns against the British eight? Or with my 400 kilometres an hour against the British 600?" His Fiat plane wasn't as good as the old British Gloucesters which had been re-

HITLER CHOOSES BAD TIME

It is practically unknown in the military history of Egypt for campaigns to be conducted during the months of May, June and July, and even August.

A HEAT RECORD WAS SET UP ON SATURDAY IN NORTH AFRICA OF FROM 118 TO 122 DEGREES FAHRENHEIT.

Though limits are imposed by the heat, the British troops are continuing to harass the enemy.

A large party of Italians working near the perimeter of the Tobruk area under the protection of armoured fighting vehicles were attacked by British troops and Bren-gun carriers.

Before the Italian armoured vehicles could start their engines their working party had been machine-gunned and numbers killed, wounded and taken prisoner.

The morale of the Italians in Abyssinia is greatly affected by the constant straggling and the activity of Patriot forces. Reuter.

ITALIANS OCCUPY SOME ISLANDS

An Italian communique states that in the Aegean Sea Italian troops have occupied the isles of Zea, Syphonos, Syria and Micono, thus completing the occupation of the Cyclades Archipelago. Reuter.

BUDAPEST TALE FACTORY ACTIVE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Budapest, main distributing centre for German propaganda abroad, is still putting out reports that large numbers of German troops are arriving in Iraq.—International News Service.

JOY-RIDE IN AMBULANCE

A fifteen-year-old boy admitted at Lambeth Juvenile Court that he took an ambulance from a garage where he had been employed, drove it round Brixton until it ran out of petrol, and then went to garages trying to get petrol to return. He was ordered to pay 5s.

tired and sent to Egypt to be turned out to pasture.

Returned By Train!

As for the Italian planes which went north to attack London, they had a hard time of it. The old wooden struts in some of the planes swelled, sprung the wings and fuselage, and splintered under the British guns. The fabric rotted in the damp weather and gave way. Motors were not accustomed to starting under the protracted cold.

Some of the aviators admitted that they had returned to Italy on the train! They simply couldn't get their planes off the ground. Perhaps half the planes failed to return.

Italian aviators are brave, frequently even necklessly so. They continued to fight against terrific odds. But their bravery takes the form of a dashing, personal gallantry, unsupported by discipline and continuous hard work. Without meaning to be unkind, an expert critic in Rome said: "They all want the glory of soaring through the air, without any of the drudgery of mastering the technique of their trade."

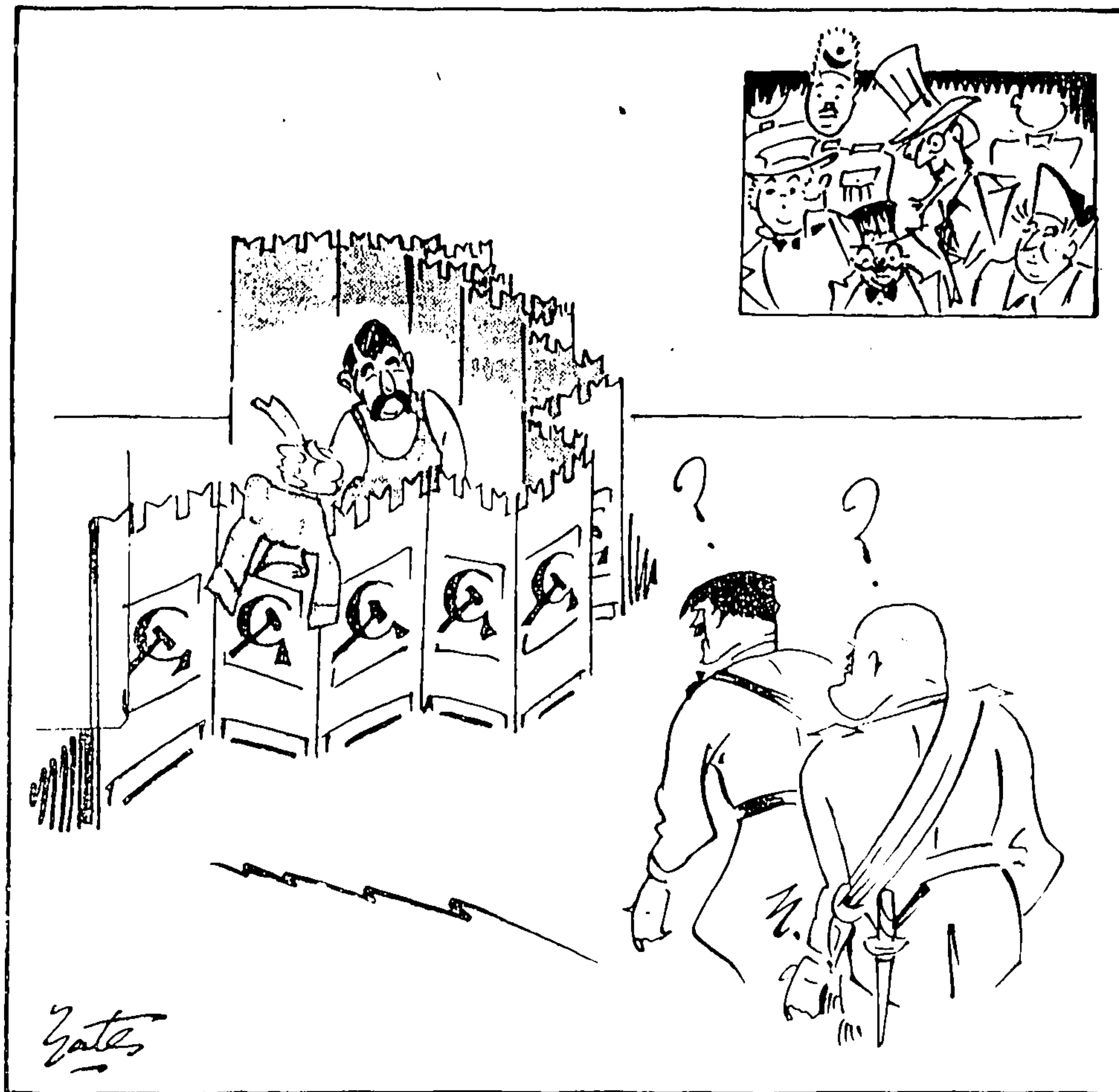
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HITLER'S VERSAILLES

Before the deceased ceased to struggle, two well-known ambulance chasers bobbed up in Vienna to perform another autopsy. This time the victim was Yugoslavia, and the operators rushed to the morgue with indecent haste because the fight over the remains threatened to become embarrassing. Under cover of the engrossing military operations in Greece, four claimants advanced in force over the prostrate body of Yugoslavia, each staking off a coveted slice of territory. The Italians dashed up the Adriatic coast from the Albanian border to Fiume to gain possession of Dalmatia. The Bulgarians marched into Macedonia, establishing themselves in the South Serbian town of Skoplje. The Hungarians and Rumanians drew up in battle array, ready to fight over the rich lands of the Yugoslav Banat, once ruled by Hungary. Meantime the frontiers of the separate state of Croatia have not been finally determined and Saturday's reports indicate that large sections of the scattered Serb army are still alive and kicking in the centre of the country.

There is danger for Hitler in all these disputes and new divisions. A particularly ugly situation is developing in Rumania, where Antonescu, prodded by the inextinguishable Iron Guard, is publicly repudiating the Vienna Diktat. This must have been considered in Vienna, for while the quarrelsome Balkans have to take anything they get, and like it, the master of the house must be infuriated by the incessant disorder reigning among the conquered but apparently unconquerable peoples.

The Fuehrer has sketched a new map of Southeast Europe. His Versailles will be announced instead of negotiated. It will be the "Diktat" of one man instead of a compromise worked out by many-minded commissions hearing all sides. And it will settle nothing, satisfy nobody, and contain no provision for appeal or repeal. Of all the strait-jackets ever devised, it will be the most inflexible, the most inhumane, and—as we see already in Rumania and Hungary—the most futile.



QUICK-CHANGE ARTIST

Night Fighter

A number of young men are lined up at dusk on an R.A.F. station for a new kind of duty.

They are the men who can see in the dark, specially selected as night fliers because of their keen eyesight.

Come with me to a night-fighter station and let us try to pierce the gloom with the pilot who flies into arctic temperatures at 50 below zero to hunt Nazi pilots.

A Typical Log

Here is a typical log of a lone pilot on night patrol:

16.00 hours. (4 p.m.)—Warned for duty.

Dressed and strolled over to the Mess for hot meal of ham and eggs and lot of tea at 17.00 hours.

18.00 hours. On the tarmac cloud is heavy and low. Not so good for pre-down landings.

18.30 hours. Taxi out, keeping an eye on each other to avoid collision.

18.45 hours. My turn to take-off. Wind would be S.W. to-night, making me taxi a couple of miles first. Anyway, it warms the engine, and my A.G. (air gunner) doesn't seem to mind being bumped along.

18.57 hours. Take-off at last. Engine running sweetly. How the instrument fingers seem to dance when 50 of them jump about like marionettes just at the take-off in darkness. This ghostly lighting on the dashboard makes me look all weird and green.

19.20 hours. That's better. I always feel happier when I've got beyond the first 20,000 feet. With lots of room below there's lots of time to think of what to do in emergency. I love altitude. I wonder how high we can take the "crate" to-night.

19.30 hours—A.G. behind seems alert and unusually communicative. I can hear him talking to himself. Must be to relieve the boredom. Perhaps he'll be too busy soon to be bored.

21.30 hours—32,000 feet, and 50 below. Phew! I've never been so high, but it's warm enough in here. We must have crossed the coast. I'll turn back now and keep up and down this strip.

Feel like a copper on his beat at night with "nothing to report, nobody drowned and nothing to laugh at at all" as little Albert said.

22.00 hours—Time to be going down. The petrol's running low. But suspect I can see a faint red glow below. Wish I could hear engines of other aircraft above the noise of mine. Then I could follow a lot easier.

That glow's an engine exhaust, I'll bet.

Yes, there he is. Now for it. I'll make her touch 415 m.p.h. to get after him. She'll take it.

Gee, we are racing down.

I gave her the gun all right. Swung her round for A.G. to get a broadside to port with all his four guns.

Knew it was a Hun, because no other R.A.F. aircraft in this sector.

This job depends on good organisation in ground and air if the system is to work. It worked this time.

We got a JU 88 all right. Well done A.G.

It's worth going down through the muck to find the aerodrome with the first one in the bag on the first patrol to-night.

22.33 hours. Landed O.K.

Boulton Paul Defiants are the machines they generally use for this job.

It was the Defiant which, when first tried out, shot down 60 enemy

By William Courtenay

aircraft in three days in France without loss to themselves.

Many people have wondered why the Defiant was so suddenly withdrawn from service after its good work in France and why a veil of secrecy has been drawn round it ever since.

The enemy would like to know this, too. Only this much can be said.

These aircraft were designed as night fighters. When they were tried out in daytime in France they did exceptionally well, particularly as they were "a surprise packet."

Lessons were learnt which have been incorporated in these aircraft, and now they are back at the task for which they were designed.

The Blenheim fighter-bomber is also used for night fighting. Its long range, gun turret amidships and crew of three make it admirable for night interception, and its speed of 300 m.p.h. is superior to that of any enemy bomber which it may meet.

There are other types, too, new types.

Let us take a look at the pilots—Britain's new "fly-by-nights". They are hand-picked youngsters, fresh and alert, with the eye of an eagle and the pouncing power of a hawk.

Only the young and very fit are selected for night-flying tasks aboard the fighters. It is a new technique.

The main problem of the night fighter may be summed up in one sentence. He must see his enemy or he cannot hope to close with him and bring him down.

Seeing in the dark—that is the essence of the problem. And all the scientific devices and aerial

divining rods which are now being tried out to probe the skies to find the bomber cannot be fully exploited unless they lead to illumination.

The first D.F.C. has been awarded for night interception. Flight-Lieut. John Cunningham—"cat's-eyes Cunningham" he is called because of his uncanny night vision chased a raider for 10 minutes off the South coast and got him.

He sighted another above him and with well-aimed tracer bullets found his billet.

How did he see his enemy in the dark? It was the tell-tale flames of the exhaust gases from the motors which betrayed the foe. These exhaust flames are not visible by day.

Giant Task

Clever devices are resorted to to try to conceal them at night, but they cannot be hidden altogether.

Let us go over the difficulties which face our night fighters and see the magnitude of their task.

First, the aerodrome itself is shrouded in darkness except for the flare path hurriedly lighted by mechanics.

The Defiant flies into its allotted part of the sky. Straining eyes watch for the white breakers which betray the presence of water, though even these are difficult to detect from high altitude.

He turns to search his area when he judges the raider will have entered it.

It is at this stage that the pilot prays for the vision of the cat. He peers into the gloom of darkness for some sign of engine exhaust glow or for the sinister silhouette of the intruder.

Once this appears he is able to manoeuvre into position for his gunner to open fire.

The patrol and vigil are short for the Defiant does not carry a big fuel supply. Groping down in the darkness to find the dim glow of the flare path is yet an ordeal to be faced when the hours of sentry-go are over.

If bad weather closes in on the aerodrome while the pilot is "upstairs" his task is doubly dangerous.

But with this system of co-ordination and cooperation and with intensive training at the technique of night fighting, excellent results are now being achieved.

From the experience the technique is being perfected.

As new devices come into operation there is the certain promise that in time the R.A.F. will grasp the menace of the roving night raiders and by the infliction of heavy casualties make them fear the night as already the "Luftwaffe" fears the day.

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Chungking After Raids

THE FIRST WEEK OF AERIAL BOMBARDMENT OF CHUNGKING HAS REVEALED SO FAR THERE HAVE BEEN FEW CASUALTIES AND VERY LITTLE PROPERTY DAMAGE, WHILE THE DOWNTOWN SECTION OF THE CITY IS ALMOST UNTOUCHED.

It is also significant that the number of aircraft participating in the raids is far fewer than those which came over last year and even fewer than those used two years ago.

During the last week raiders appeared to concentrate on the western suburbs. Though some bombs were dropped on the downtown business section on May 3, on the Yangtse River front downtown on May 9 and on the north bank of the Chialing River yesterday, the majority of bombs dropped in three raids landed in the western suburbs.

Both on Friday and Saturday bombs fell dangerously close to the residence of the British Ambassador which has been made almost uninhabitable.

Widely Scattered

The Foreign Minister, Dr Wang Chung-hui, yesterday sent a representative to call on the Ambassador to enquire about the extent of the damage to his residence.

Because houses in the western suburbs are widely scattered, many bombs landed in open fields, causing comparatively little property damage except to shops and houses along the main roads. Casualties are also reported to be few.

Heaviest death toll occurred on May 9 when bombs were dropped along the Yangtse and Chialing River fronts. Many junkmen were killed or wounded.

No Fighters Up

While Chinese fighters engaged the raiders last year and two years ago, it is learned that so far no fighters have taken off this year to oppose them.

The Chinese defence depended entirely on A.A. guns, which, however, were not effective as the raiders came over the city at great heights, mostly above 7,000 feet.

Dug-outs again proved effective. Yesterday several bombs landed both directly above and in front of one dug-out, practically closing the entrances, but all the occupants were safe. After the raid they had no difficulty in leaving the dug-out. — Reuter.

GVERNOR OF MACAO LEAVES

His Excellency the Governor of Macao and Madame Teixeira, accompanied by Captain Silva e Costa, A.D.C., left for Macao at 8 a.m. to-day, after an official visit to the Colony lasting 2-1/2 days.

VICHY SELL-OUT TO JAPAN

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

It is reliably learned in London that Indo-China is now a virtual Japanese dependency as a result of the economic treaty signed on May 6 and the political treaty of May 9, supplementing the treaty of September 23, against which Washington protested.

Vichy is pledged not to participate in any agreement contrary to Japanese exploitation.

Chief Japanese products are exempted from customs duties, Japanese industry is admitted on an equal basis and Japanese investments are on the same footing as French, including agricultural and mining.

PERIODIC INDUSTRIAL CONFERENCES, IN WHICH JAPAN HAS DECIDING CONTROL, WILL REGULATE ECONOMIC QUESTIONS, WHILE FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS HENCEFORTH WILL BE CARRIED OUT IN YEN.

German technical missions are hurrying what is a potential Axis arsenal. Fifty experts left Berlin for Indo-China on May 8. — International News Service.

FATHER HEAD OF HOUSE

Father is still the head of the family, in the eyes of the United States Tax Board, whether he works or not.

Mr. Martin Gebelein, of Philadelphia, has lost his claim for tax exemption on the ground that he is the head of a family.

He said he lived with his mother and father, who is retired, and was the only member of the household working.

The Board ruled that the father was head of the family. — Reuter.

SUDDEN DEATH OF MR. EU TONG-SEN

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE death of Mr. Eu Tong-sen, O.B.E., which occurred suddenly yesterday as the result of a heart attack, came as a profound shock to racing and commercial circles and to all sections of the community.

The late Mr. Eu Tong-sen who was 64 years of age, was born in Penang, in 1877, of Fatshan, Kwangtung, ancestry. He was sent back to China as a child and did not return to Malaya until 1891, the year his father died in Perak.

He took over his father's business before he was out of his teens, and swiftly proved himself as a man of unusual business ability. Before he was 30 he had so organised his father's tin and rubber enterprises that the estate had been multiplied a hundredfold. He was a millionaire several times over by the time the Great War broke out in 1914, and had already turned his attention to public service.

At 35, he was nominated Chinese Representative on the Federal Council of the Federated Malay States and remained a member until 1920. He made generous donations to the British war effort and was invested with the O.B.E.

Gifts To Education

Mr. Eu Tong-sen took a keen interest in the development of education facilities. He made a gift of Str. \$100,000 to Raffles College on the decision to found that institution and besides presenting the gymnasium which bears his name, he made the University of Hong Kong a gift of \$55,000. He also made himself financially responsible for the erection of the new Police Recreation Clubhouse at Boundary Street.

In his private life, Mr. Eu Tong-sen made a hobby of creating palatial residences and magnificent gardens. Few important towns



MR. EU TONG-SEN

in Malaya are without one or more of his imposing homes, many of them noted for marvellous beauty of landscape and interior decoration. In Hong Kong, he built himself three large and impressive homes, at Repulse Bay, Tai-po and on Bonham Road.

He had a very large family, of 13 sons and ten daughters. The eldest son, Eu Keng-chee is a graduate of Cambridge University and a chartered accountant. For some years now, he has taken an active part in the management of his father's extensive interests in Malaya.

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AMERICAN DECISION EXPECTED EARLY

IT IS GENERALLY FELT in Washington press circles that America's decision on definite steps to assure sufficient material aid to Britain may be expected soon.

Most editorials agree that the public statements by four Cabinet members last week insisting upon "delivering the goods" to Britain were prepared with the intention of building up public opinion for some form of positive action.

HITLER TO MEET STALIN ON BLACK SEA?

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

According to the London "Sunday Despatch" yesterday Hitler and Stalin will meet on board a ship in the Black Sea in a few weeks with Hitler threatening a German attack on the Ukraine unless he gets Russian cooperation.

Stalin is believed to be ready to appease Hitler, the newspaper adds. — International News Service.

President Roosevelt's illness during the last week which forced him to cancel two Press conferences caused further speculation as to what he will tell the American public next Wednesday when he addresses the Pan-American Union.

Some correspondents opine that if the worst comes to the worst, it might be the best course for the United States to declare war. They state that Germany does not want a formal war with the United States because this would mean putting America on a complete war footing and make her capable of greater production and sharper action and ultimately give the Allies the sort of force that won the last World War against Germany.

Leading newspapers, both Republican and Democratic, strongly urge the Administration to use the convoy system whatever be the consequences, but there are some papers which continue to support isolation and the views of Colonel Lindbergh. Senator Wheeler and Senator Nye against any further step to aid Britain.

Middle West Sentiment

One influential editor of a leading Mid-Western newspaper told the Central News Washington correspondent that sentiment in the so-called isolationist or non-interventionist belt is swinging to the support of President Roosevelt's foreign policy whether it is in the form of naval convoy or war.

He intimated that the nation is ready to follow President Roosevelt as soon as a decision is made and officially announced. — Central News.

RICE FOR SHANGHAI

Shanghai's acute rice shortage may get better as 50,000 bags have arrived in the city through the Municipal Council's negotiations with the Hong Kong Government. — International News Service.

JAPAN TO CELEBRATE WAR ANNIVERSARY

WITH A VIEW TO stimulating "the whole nation to renewed resolution to fight through the present emergency," Japan will observe the fourth anniversary of the China War on July 7 with elaborate ceremonies.

The entire programme, according to the Japanese press, will be based on the spirit of Imperial rescript issued on the first anniversary of the hostilities, and all events will embody the gratitude towards the war dead, war wounded and war bereaved.

The programme for the day, as released by the Board of Information, includes the hoisting of national flags by all houses, private or official, silent prayer at noon for "the successful execution of the China incident, the martial fortune of those at the front and a peaceful rest for the war dead," and special commemoration issues by all newspapers and magazines.

The public throughout Japan will be notified of the prayer hour through sirens, radio, drums or gongs, and for one minute all traffic will be suspended.

Large-Scale Rites

In Tokyo large-scale rites for the war dead, and a commemoration meeting, will be held under the auspices of the Board of Information.

A special commemoration programme will be given by the radio for the week beginning July 1, when lectures concerning the China war will be broadcast.

Theatres and film houses will be asked to stage entertainment related to the War, while Government offices, schools and other public organisations will hold a meeting for the Imperial rescript granted on the first anniversary of the War.

They will also stage events suitable to national solidarity, including national flag hoisting ceremonies, a martial arts exhibition, consolation visits to war bereaved families and worshipping at Shinto shrines.

Air defence drills will be held during anniversary week on dates to be defined later in the respective localities. — Reuter.

DE BRINON THREAT TO U.S.

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
FERNAND DE BRINON, PARIS REPRESENTATIVE OF THE VICHY GOVERNMENT, ANNOUNCED, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL GERMAN NEWS AGENCY, THAT THE FRENCH NAVY WILL PROTECT FRENCH POSSESSIONS, ESPECIALLY DAKAR, "AGAINST POSSIBLE UNITED STATES AGGRESSION," AND, SHOULD THE UNITED STATES ENTER THE WAR, EUROPE WILL HAVE TO ORGANISE "A COMMON DEFENCE." — INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE.

TROOPS WILL TRAIN AT THE PICTURES

The Army is to make the fullest use of films for training purposes at home and abroad.

It is announced that in consultation with the Cinematograph Exhibitors' Association and the Government cinematograph adviser, Captain Paul Kimberley will advise on the establishment of the Army facilities necessary for distributing and showing these films.

WOUNDING CASE

Chan Wah, 35, was charged before Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., this morning, with wounding a carpenter, Li Ping-chuen, in Queen's Road East, near the Royal Naval Dockyard on Friday.

Li is at present in hospital. At the request of Detective Sergeant V. Morrison, accused was remanded for a week.

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BRIDGE NOTES

BRIDGE SWINDLES — NO. 38

By The Four Aces

If the defence is alert and imaginative, some squeezes become very doubtful instead of marked. For example:

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North-South vulnerable
North-South part score 60

♠ 8 6
♥ Q J 6
♦ A K Q 4
♣ A K 6 4

♠ K 9 7 3
♥ K 5 4
♦ J 9 8 3
♣ 9 6

♠ A Q
♥ A 10 9 8 2
♦ 6 5 2
♣ Q 3 2

The bidding:
North East South West
1 ♠ Pass 1♥ Pass
2 ♣ Pass 2♥ Pass
3 ♠ Pass 6♥ Pass

West opened the nine of clubs, and dummy won with the King, while East dropped the Jack to signal encouragement. (This was a good play, for East could not support any suit, but could feel perfectly safe about a club continuation.)

The Queen of hearts was led for a finesse, West taking the heart King and returning his other club. South won with the club Queen, drew trumps and led a club to dummy's Ace.

West saw what was coming, so casually began a swindle by dropping his lowest spade. South returned to his hand by ruffing a club, and West discarded another low spade. South then led his last trump, and West nonchalantly tossed away his last low spade, blanking the King!

Declarer next led a diamond, catching dummy's three top. When the last diamond failed to set up he returned a spade, and East helped his partner along by playing the spade Jack. What was South to do?

Any double-dummy player will see that playing the Ace makes the slam, but we think that most people in actual play would take the finesse and go down — as South did in this case.

* * *

Saturday you were Oswald Jacoby's partner and, with both sides vulnerable, you held:

♠ J 7
♥ Q 10 7 4 2
♦ K 9 3
♣ K 8 4

The bidding:
Jacoby Schenken You Master
1♦ 1♠ (?)

ANSWER: Bid two diamonds. Your hand is not strong enough for a bid of two hearts. If your partner has no fit for hearts, you practically compel him to bid three diamonds; and then you won't know whether to go on or pass. Since your hand is too strong for a pass, the raise in diamonds is your best way to show your values.

Score 100% for two diamonds, 50% for pass, 30% for two hearts.

Question No. 713

To-day you hold the same hand, and the bidding continues:

Jacoby Schenken You Master
1♦ 1♠ 2♦ Pass
Pass 2♠ (?)

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

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DECEIVING NAZI AIR SPOTTERS

Camouflage A Job For Experts

All formations of the Home Forces now have camouflage officers at their headquarters. The number of these officers is being rapidly increased, an indication of the development of camouflage made necessary by the great role played by air reconnaissance.

The officers who have passed through this school include artists and architects, scene-painters and theatrical producers, a dress-designer and a professional magician, Mr. Jasper Maskelyne, now serving in Libya. They have had to study air photography, including infra-red, stereoscopy and the interpretation of air photographs.

Ineffective Work

The man who has never flown and has never studied air photography cannot guess the right way to protect himself. Much of the camouflage which in the heat of the moment was applied last summer up and down the country is camouflage only in name to the experts of the Royal Engineers. A good deal of paint was lavished to small purpose.

In recent months the experts have introduced great reforms. Not much can be said at the moment than that the Army aims to merge the military installations of all kinds, as seen from the air, into the civilian environment.

When a start is made on a virgin site this can be done with almost unbelievable success. It is possible to construct a camp accommodating thousands of men which is unrecognisable as such from the air, while on the coast and inland some of the pill-boxes are invisible.

The disguise of munition factories comes under a different authority, the Civil Defence Camouflage Establishment which, in some instances, has had an enormous job to correct errors of judgment and short-sightedness of the past.

Artillerymen have the satisfaction of knowing that the camouflage is absolute protection for guns of all calibres from aerial observation. It remains for them not to give the show away by making obvious paths to cook-houses and other buildings.

One of the problems in the Army to-day is to bring home to the millions of men the nature of aerial observation. A camouflage film is being made for exhibition in training camps.

CUPID IN BOATS

Passport to romance for Frances Clark, one of thirty-eight girls who have become cobblers for the duration, is—an old Army boot!

It has brought her a proposal of marriage.

Frances, who works in a shoe-mending factory at Upper Tulse Hill, S. W., was repairing a pair of outside Army boots one day and decided to slip a note inside wishing their owner luck.

The soldier, a gunner in the Royal Artillery, replied thanking her and asking for her picture. She sent one and he sent his photograph.

Now, though they have never met, the gunner has asked Frances to marry him.

"I never guessed my note would lead to this," Frances told me as she hammered studs into a soldier's shoes.

"Of course, I would not consider marrying someone I have never met," she smiled. "Just knowing his boots isn't really enough."

At the shoe-mending factory they mend an average of 2,500 boots a week.

"We have almost completely changed our staff to women now," Mr. H. R. English, owner and manager, told me.

"They're all good girls and good workers—I haven't a grumble."

R.A.F. WILL NOT PART TWINS

Following an appeal on compassionate grounds by their father, twin brothers Geoffrey and Raymond Hepple, of Granville-terrace, York, have been brought together by the R.A.F. authorities.

Never parted for a day since birth, the boys, who are twenty, volunteered together for the R.A.F. There was a two-day gap between their medicals, and this apparently was the cause of their being posted to different training camps.

For three months the boys had the unhappiest time of their lives. "Both of us felt that something was missing and we couldn't settle down properly to our work," Geoffrey told the "Daily Mirror."

Streamers Out

In the meantime, their father, John W. Hepple, had written to the authorities. "They were wonderfully sympathetic and as soon as it could be managed the boys were brought together," he said.

Now Geoffrey and Raymond, both first-class aircraftmen, sleep in adjoining beds, sit together at mess, and have their pass-outs for the same nights.

At school the boys moved up together from form to form, they sang side by side in the church choir, and, after technical college training, both became printers.

Their home in Granville-terrace was decorated with paper streamers for the returning of the third brother, twenty-seven-year-old Ronald, also in the R.A.F., to spend a leave with the twins.

PORTUGUESE MAY LEAVE EIRE

A statement circulated in Dublin asks citizens of Portugal at present in Eire and requiring repatriation to Portugal to communicate with the Portuguese honorary vice-consul, Mr. Kevin J. Kenney, for registration.

"It is emphasised that owing to current difficulties of transport and the danger of a cessation entirely of such transport immediate registration is essential," the statement adds. "This measure does not apply to Portuguese merchant seamen, who are instructed to remain with their ships under all conditions."

No advices had been received by the British Government from Lisbon on the subject.

THE TEST OF THE STAIRS.

Do you feel breathless or giddy with the slight exertion of climbing the stairs? Do you suffer from digestive trouble? Do you feel tired most of the day? Are you pale and underweight? All such symptoms indicate an impoverished condition of the blood which, if not corrected without delay, will surely lead to serious illness.

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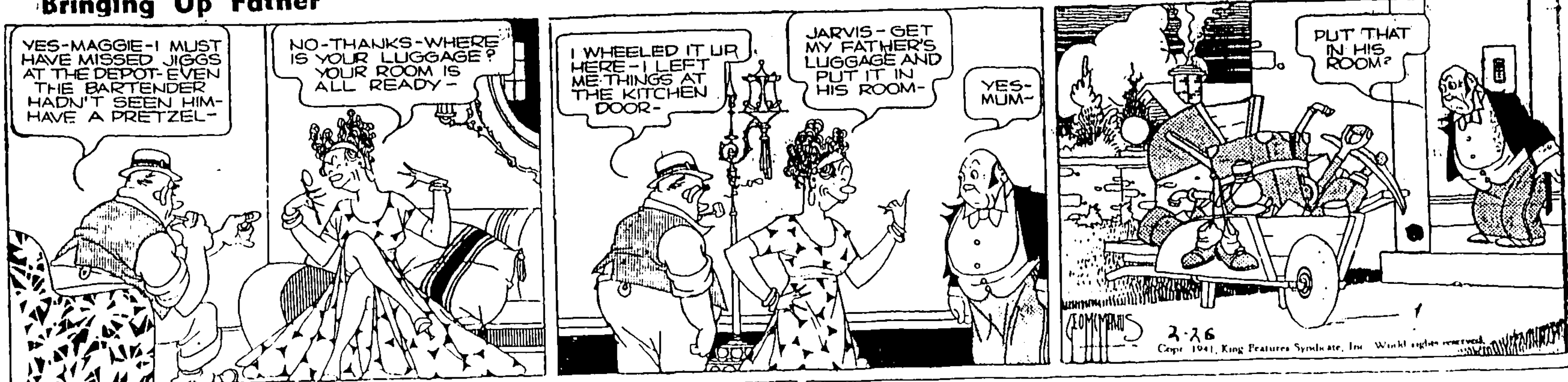
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Bringing Up Father



A PAGE FOR WOMEN

Spring Complexion

Do you realise that new skin is forever forming and old skin is seeping off? Yes, that is so, and during spring this changing of skin seems to be more pronounced. If you want to have a spring complexion, help to banish the old skin particles by a thorough home facial.

First, if your skin is dry, spread heated olive oil over it and massage it well with finger tips. Only skin girls do not need olive oil but they may follow the rest of the treatment.

Take a large bath towel or two, drape them over your head and bend over the wash basin in your bathroom. Turn on the hot water full force and give your face a good ten-minute steaming. When you need air take it and wipe the dripping oil off your face, but bend over again for a few minutes more of pore-opening.

Then with a soft bristled complexion brush and a bland soap, work up a good lather such as men do while shaving. Laterally scrub your face. Rinse it well with luke warm water and then splash cold water on it. Refrain from squeezing any blemish!

Dry skin ladies will need a powder foundation beneath their make-up, but those with oily skin should use a slightly astringent skin tonic.

If you have the time after the face scrubbing, apply a masque and let it firm your facial contour and tighten your skin.

You know that sun is the best beauty treatment for skin, so catch an hour or two of sunshine each day if you can.



MYRNA LOY'S lovely skin is always faultless! She like other beauties is quick to change from winter cosmetics to summer ones, as the seasons change.

Get New Cosmetics

Even though you are a thrifty lass, you should throw away your winter skin aids. Buy fresh

beauty preparations—a cleanser, powder base, a lubricator if you need one, and perhaps a skin tonic. A new cake of soap and

fresh make-up should also be on that shopping list.

Summer aids, as a rule, are lighter in texture than those one uses during the chilly months and then too, creams and lotions lose their efficacy if held onto too long.

Then about frowns—now that summer is here, can't you stop fretting? Smile more and at night, massage away little frown lines before going to bed. You cannot have a summer face unless you have a happy face, whipped up to greater beauty by an occasional facial and daily general care.

earnestly desire to add weight, here are a few suggestions for you to follow religiously.

Science tells us that Vitamin B stimulates one's appetite so you should begin by taking it in concentrated form or by eating more eggs, whole peas, spinach, whole grains, nuts, beef, and calf's liver, oysters, grapes or yeast tablets. You see an underweight's blood is lacking in iron so you need iron-rich foods as the main part of your diet.

During cold weather you will be assisted by taking cod liver oil to supplement the general lack of Vitamin D which is the sunshine vitamin.

There should be four or five hours between your meals if you take three regular meals a day—an early breakfast is the best rule so as to allow time to create an appetite for lunch. You should eat adequately at each meal, planning your means so you get every day fresh fruit, whole grains, honey, milk and butter and the foods listed above.

Try to walk at least two miles in the open every day in low heeled shoes.

Stop fretting about trivial things—get sound rest when you go to bed.

In no time at all you will gain weight and feel like a million dollars—as the saying goes!

To Gain Weight Reform Your Habits

We have devoted many days in counselling the overweights, in this space, so to-day we shall devote our words to the problem of the girl who wishes desperately to gain weight.

First of all she must establish a daily routine which consists of:

1—Three meals at regular hours or five smaller meals at regular hours.

2—Drink six to eight glasses of water daily between meals—not with meals.

3—Have from ten to twelve hours sleep each night with bedroom window wide open, heat turned off, covered with warm but lightweight blankets. Heavy layers of blankets drain your vitality.

4—Have a short rest period after each meal.

5—Take mild exercise in the fresh air and sunshine.

6—Establish regular toilet habits and avoid constipation.

Don't Be A Slacker

Personally, I'm rather tired of hearing too-thin girls say "How I want to gain weight—I don't seem to be able to do it." Many of them are not sincere in this but no one can understand why they want to remain skinny and unattractive, when they could be nicely proportioned with ever so much more vitality. It requires

vitality to reap joy out of living, so every woman should strive to attain vitality.

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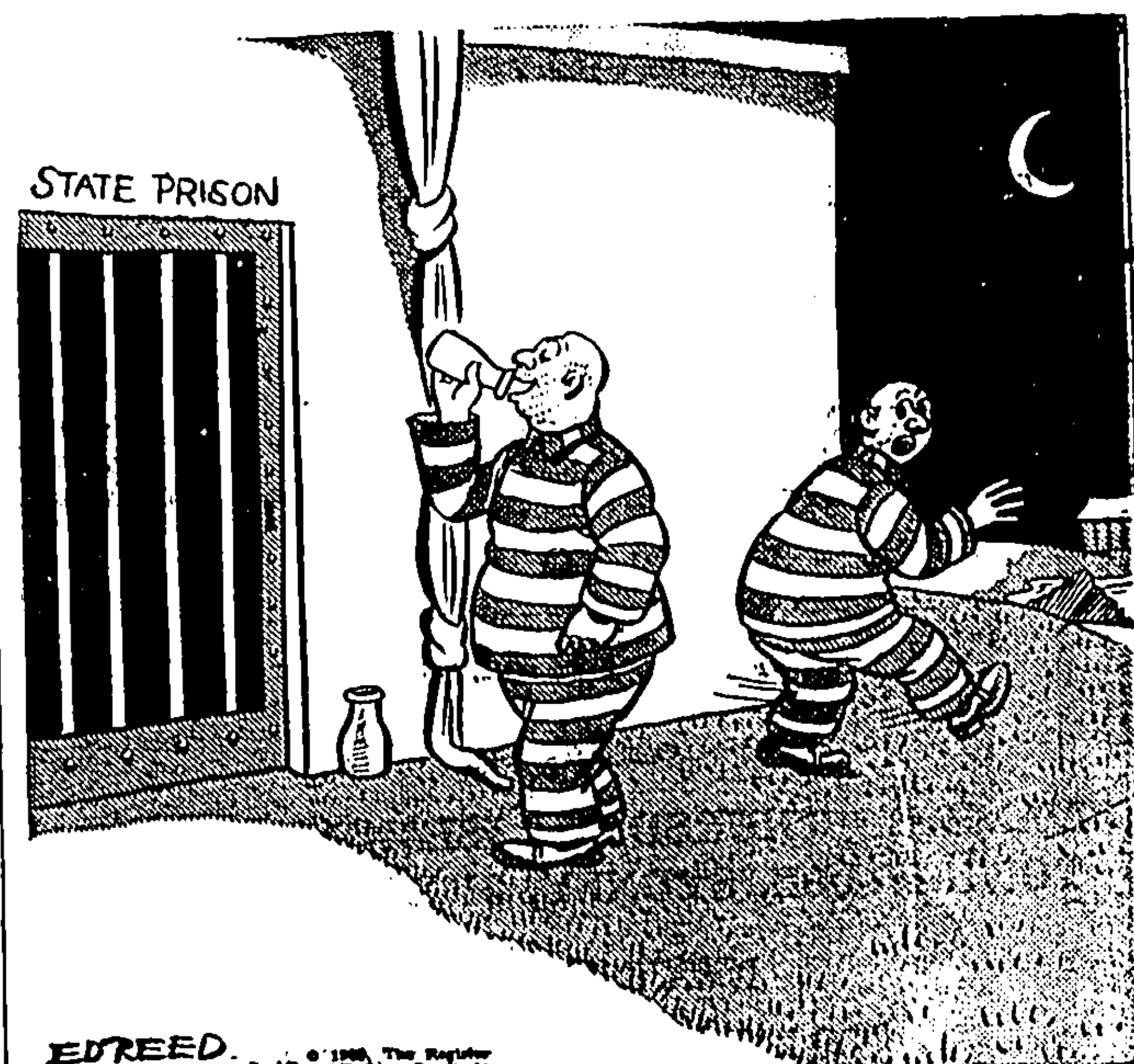
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Quick-Step—Bluebirds in the Moon-
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Fox-Trot—I Hear a Dream (film
"Gulliver's Travels").
Jack White and His Collegians
Fox-Trots Macpherson is Rehear-
sing
Grandma's Parcel.
The Organ, The Dance Band
and Me.
Tango Elegante Papirusa
Mahnconia.
Bernardo Alenmany et son Orches-
tre Argentino.
Fox-Trots If I Only Had a Heart
If I Only Had a Brain (both from
"The Wizard of Oz")
Victor Young and His Orchestra
Waltz—Who's taking you home to-
night?
Mantovani and His Music for
Dancing

7.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
7.15 p.m.—London Relay—"Questions
of the Hour."

7.30 p.m.—Folk Music.
English Folk Songs and Dances
(arr. Fairfield)
Regimental Band of H.M. Irish
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Creme de Minthy—Irish Jig (arr.
Marguerison)
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(arr. Miller)
The Pipers' Guild Quartet
Austrian Peasant Dances (arr.
Schoneberg)
Symphony Orchestra cond. by
Goehr
Happy Swiss Memories (arr. Betz)
Swiss Ensemble.
Clog Dance (Fetras)
Pavilion Lancers Novelty Orch.
8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and An-
nouncements.
8.02 p.m.—This Week's Programmes.
8.05 p.m.—Piano Duets by Wilson and
Leach
Three Hit Medley
Intro—You are my lucky Star.
Bird on the Wing, The Music
Goes Round and Around
King of Burlesque Medley
I'm Shooting High, Lovely Lady
I've got My Fingers Crossed
Hit Memories Medley (No. 1)
Fox-Trots Miss Annabelle Lee
Little Japanese Sandman.
Chinatown, My Chinatown
Waltzes—Ah! Sweet Mystery of
Life, Magic Waltz, Merry
Widow Waltz

8.15 p.m.—London Relay—"Hi, Gang!"
9.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News
and News Commentary.
9.15 p.m.—A Glazunow Programme.
Scenes de Ballet, Op. 52
Prelude—Scherzino—Ma-
rionettes—Danse—Orientale
Mazurka—Pas d'action—Valse
—Polonaise
New Symphony Orchestra con-
ducted by Eugene Goossens.
Spanish Serenade
Fritz Kreisler (Violin) with piano
9.45.10.00 p.m.—News in French (on
Short Wave Only).
9.45 p.m.—Smetana—From Bohemia's
Meadows and Forests.
Czech Philharmonic Orchestra con-
ducted by Rafael Kubelik
10.00 p.m.—London Relay—"News from
Home" by Howard Marshall.
10.15 p.m.—Selections from Grand
Opera.
"Carmen" Prelude to Act I
(Bizet)
Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra
cond. by Leopold Stokowsky
"Carmen"—Je Dis Que Rien Ne
M'epouvante (Bizet).
"Romeo et Juliette"—Je Veux Vivre
Dans Ce Reve (Gounod)
Eide Norena (Soprano) with
Orchestra
Meistersinger—Prizes Song (Wag-
ner).
Lohengrin's Narrative—In Distant
Lands (Wagner).
Richard Crooks (Tenor) with
Orchestra.
10.35 p.m.—Dellus—Paris—Ein Nacht-
stück.
(The Song of a Great City)
London Philharmonic Orchestra
conducted by Sir Thomas
Beecham, Bart.
11.00 p.m.—Close Down.



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from the Royal Canadian
Mounted Police, are play-
ing an important part in
manoeuvres which the
Canadian Army are carry-
ing out in preparation for
the defence of Britain
against invasion.

Setting out in advance on motor-
cycles, military police erect speci-
ally designed signs and dimmed
lights at all major intersections
where they maintain traffic con-
trol posts night and day.

The security and mobility of
thousands of troops and hun-
dreds of vehicles may depend
upon the efficiency of their
control.

In actual operations the mili-
tary police must be frontline
troops, moving ahead of the main
formations, plotting the way and
seeing that units are guided to
the right locations.

They are also responsible for
taking charge of prisoners of
war.

The Canadian military police
company now in England is
completely self-contained and
carries its own food, petrol, am-
munition blankets and other
equipment.

It is the only unit in the
Canadian Army which has no
privates. Every man has at
least one stripe. British Wireless

WOMAN INJURED IN ATTACK ON JUNK

TSUI TSAT, 39, FISHERMAN,
HAS INFORMED THE POLICE,
THAT WHILE SAILING ON
BOARD A FISHING BOAT OFF
MIRS BAY, ABOUT THREE
MILES SOUTH-WEST OF NAM
O, ON FRIDAY AFTERNOON,
HE WAS ATTACKED BY A
PARTY OF ARMED ROBBERS
ON BOARD A LARGE JUNK.

The robbers opened fire on his
junk, and wounded his wife, So
Sze-nai, 40. The robbers' boat
came alongside and removed a
cargo of salt fish.

He arrived early Saturday
morning in Taipo, and his wife
was treated in Taipo Public Dis-
pensary, with injuries to her left
thigh.

AMAH SENT TO PRISON

A 19-year-old married amah,
was sentenced to two months' hard
labour by Mr. D. J. N. Anderson,
at Kowloon this morning, for
stealing a gold wrist watch, a gold
pocket watch with a gold chain,
and \$14 in cash from her mistress,
Mrs. Ng Lai Wai, of No. 39, Fuk
Lo Tsun Road.

Accused disappeared after the
theft at 9 a.m. yesterday. The
police traced her through her
guarantor later.

Accused, who had pawned the
pocket watch and the chain, said
she had given \$15 to a man to
prevent him from reporting the
theft to the police.

BRITISH PRISONER OF WAR KILLED

SEC. LT. EDWARD L. DEES,
D. L. L. WAS RECENTLY SHOT
AT A GERMAN PRISON CAMP.

He was standing at a window
to sketch when a sentry, thinking
that he was disobeying rules by
leaning out, fired twice after
shouting. He was killed instantly.

Before the war Sec. Lt. Dees
was a well-known member of
North Durham Rugby Club and
the Ravensworth Golf Club.

According to letters received
from the camp, he was buried in
a cemetery outside the camp,
wreaths being laid by Brig.
Nicholson on behalf of the camp
and by Col. Bramwell and Lt.
Lightfoot on behalf of the re-
giment and his room companions.

THETIS WIDOWS' CLAIMS

An appeal arising out of the
Thetis submarine disaster is ex-
pected to be heard in the High
Court.

Writs claiming damages have
been issued on behalf of the
widows of some of the men who
died. Mr. H. J. Wallington, K. C.,
has been briefed. The appeal
concerns preliminary points raised.

The Thetis sank in Liverpool
Bay on June 1, 1939. There were
only four survivors of the 103
men on board. The submarine,
which was raised and renamed
Thunderbolt, has since done good
work in the war.

INJURED ROBBER DIES

One of three alleged robbers
who were beaten off by their in-
tended victim, armed with a wood-
en pole, last Wednesday morning
at No. 168, Nanchang Street,
Shamshuipo, died in the Kowloon
Hospital yesterday as a result of
the head injuries sustained.

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HIGHLIGHTS OF THE SOFTBALL SEASON UNDER REVIEW

Gerry Gosano Credited With Year's Pitching Gem

By "Grandstand"

BEFORE WE LOWER the curtain on the most successful Softball season, and usher in King Baseball, let us recall some of the hair-breadth plays and split-second masterpieces that have combined to give us a most enjoyable season, and although players and spectators alike have had occasions to hurl fiery barbs at each other, this corner is convinced that venom was never in their hearts. Yessirree, it's been great fun.

Of all the pitching performances, Recreio's ace-hurler Gerry Gosano's clutch pitching in their game with the Cyclones, in which the latter were nosed out by the only run in the tilt, stands out above all other chucking accomplishments during the year.

Johnnie Alvares who drew the opening assignment, was toiling on the slab perfectly for five frames, but cracked up under the pressure, and before he knew it the sacks were choked with none away.

Mentor P. N. Cunha, immediately after Alvares, from the block and put Gosano on the mound, with the ball dancing on the base path. He put to put any further in. The Gosano was equal to the occasion, and even if he was nervous, he didn't show it, as he forced next batter, Skelly Razaek to foul out on the first pitch for the first erasure. K. M. Rumbahn, the big gun of the Cyclones was the next victim with a pop fly which Gosano allowed without as much as moving an inch, whilst Markar Jr. was tossed out on a slow roller for the third out.

A Dazzling "Double"

No less brilliant was the dazzling double play which paved the way for a run for St. Joseph's. Coming down the home stretch, the Indians came out to take the Saints' trap, and the series with a triple play, the wire, the Mohawks were still in the running.

The Indians lost only two runs to the count as they came in from the bottom with the hit. Lefty was shuffled up to the plate and a free ticket to the grandstand was pitched. Here's the lowdown on that pass—St. Joseph's just couldn't patch to a base runner.

"Tarzan" was snatched the next offer, and hard to start a hit, but a play, and it seemed that the ball would beat short-stop Souza as it bounded to the second, but somehow Souza clamped his hands on the ball, and tossed out Arcullin's end.

Ozorio who was covering the bag, pivoted to Stan Leonard at first to complete the twin-erasure. But for that double play the runners would have scored, as Nazarin, next man up, slashed out a sizzler, right through the infield.

How Mohawks Lost

The Mohawks actually lost the league when they were nosed out



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by the Chinese Baseballers 8-7 in their first encounter

The count was knotted at seven all as the last inning rolled up. Tuffy Chunn, who was almost blinded by Lou Leight's slashing drive through the box, was replaced by Earl Wong who fled out for the first out. Then veteran Tommy Chan strolled up to the plate and poled out a round-tripper for the tie-breaker, which eventually proved to be the winning run, as the Mohawks couldn't push a tally across although they had runners on the bases.

That Extra Base

But all was not lost for the Mohawks. They would have cinched their game with the Indians for a play off against the Saints, but for sand of base-running. "Doc" Mollien had banged out a long hit to right, and should have been credited with a three-bagger, but was instead nailed at the pay off station when he attempted to stretch it into a four-bagger. Why he did it with none away and clutch-hitter Joe Morris coming up will be a subject for Hot Steve leagues. Anyway, the game dragged on into the ninth before the Mohawks conceded the "heart breaker".

A Near Thing

The International series also came in for its share of thrilling moments. Indians, who eventually emerged champions, were almost eliminated in the first round when they only managed to nose out the weak Canadian contingent, the game being saved by flashy short-stop Huckjai Kitchell with two dazzling pickups after the game was booted.

With the last innings coming up, the Canadians were trailing behind in a seven four set-up. Bill Ing drew a pass and was sacrificed to second on Johnnie Fisher's dump. Gas Oliver slashed a burning grounder along third which Sherry Bux booted, and even as the ball was rolling out to left-field, Kitchell darted in to scoop up the pill to toss out Oliver at first for the second erasure, holding Ing at third.

Bernie Johnson banged out a single to score Ing. Bill Woo next slashed out another grass-cutter along third which Bux fumbled again, and even as Indian fans were groaning, Kitchell dished out the second fielding gem by tossing out Johnson by half a step at second, to end the Canadian threat. Pinky Higgins, Den Cray and Dan Fittinghoff, all known hitters, were coming up next, and a hit would have meant an Indian defeat.

Bad Base-Running

In the ladies series, Great Britain almost pulled off a sensational upset against the strong Chinese squad, when they were nosed out through bone-headed base-running.

Jeannette Yolle who was perched on second with the tying run, with two down, forgot to pick up her dogs as sister Yvonne hoisted one which centre-fielder Margaret Young dropped, and only made third when she died as Kitty Bush tapped out a double roller.

ARMY SPORTLIGHT

By "SQUADDY"

I understand that at the Annual General Meeting of the Area Sports Board the following suggestions were put before the committee and passed for the forthcoming sporting season.

CROSS COUNTRY

The Area Cross Country Runs will be held alternatively on the Island and the Mainland instead of always being held on the Mainland, and a suitable course will be chosen by the Secretary for Cross Country Runs before the next annual runs.

This is a very good idea and will give the Units stationed on the Island a change from going over to the Polo Club ground each year. This also gives them a chance in training for this event as the Units stationed on the Mainland have the advantage of training over the course before the actual runs.

WRESTLING

It was also suggested that the Indian personnel of the Royal Artillery, and the Infantry Units should hold a wrestling tournament amongst themselves to be conducted under their own wrestling rules which are far different from the European rules. They also wrestle in a pit cut out in the ground and not in a ring. This Tournament will be held amongst the Indian troops and run by themselves, but a Secretary will be appointed by the Area Sports Board as for every sport connected with the Area Sports Board.

ATTACHED

PERSONNEL

Middlesex Regt. brought up the point of having members of other Units attached to them such as their Armourers and Fitters, who are always attached to them for a number of years.

They stated that in the Area Novices boxing competition a protest was made against them having a member of the Ordnance Corps attached to them in their Novices boxing team, and they had to withdraw him on the night of the finals.

The committee agreed that for future reference, any person attached to a Large Unit could play for that Unit, providing he was not called upon by his own Unit, or by the Combined Small Units.

THE CHAMPIONS

This past sporting season has been very successful as far as Units are concerned and the following are the results of all sporting activities during the past year.

FOOTBALL
First Division:—Middlesex Regt. (Fourth), Royal Scots (Fifth).
Second Division:—Royal Engineers (champions), R.A.S.C. (runners-up).
Third Division:—R.A.F. (champions), Signals (runners-up).
Small Units Football Knockout Competition:—Winners:—H.Q. Coy. 1st Bn., The Middlesex Regt.; Runners-up:—"D" Coy., 2nd Royal Scots.

RUGBY
Large Units Rugby League:—Winners:—Royal Engineers; Runners-up:—Combined Royal Artillery.
Small Units Knockout Competition:—Winners:—Royal Engineers; Runners-up:—Royal Scots.
Army Seven-a-Side:—Winners:—Royal Engineers; Runners-up:—Royal Artillery.

CRICKET
Large Units:—Winners:—Royal Engineers; Runners-up:—Combined Small Units.
Small Units:—Winners:—R.A.S.C.; Runners-up:—5th A.A. Regt., R.A.L.A.

BOXING
Inter-Unit Novices Competition:—Winners:—Royal Scots; Runners-up:—Middlesex Regt.
Inter-Unit Team Championship:—Winners:—Royal Scots; Runners-up:—Middlesex Regt.

ATHLETICS
Winners:—Middlesex Regt.; Runners-up:—5th Coast Regt., R.A.

TUG-OF-WAR
100 Stone:—Winners:—12th Coast Regt., R.A.

130 Stone:—Winners:—12th Coast Regt., R.A.

BILLIARDS
Garrison Billiards League:—Winners:—R.A.M.C.; Runners-up:—Royal Scots.
Garrison Snooker League:—Winners:—R.A.M.C.; Runners-up:—Royal Engineers Sgts.

GARRISON CHALLENGE CUP:—Winners
R.A.M.C.; Runners-up:—Military Police.
Garrison Soldiers' Club Cup:—Winners:—H.K.V.D.C.; Runners-up:—Royal Corps Signals.
Individual Billiards Champion:—Cpl Harvey (R.A.M.C.).
Individual Snooker Champion:—Cpl Harvey (R.A.M.C.).

HOCKEY
Large Units League:—Winners:—Middlesex Regt.
Small Units Knockout:—Winners:—30th Bty., R.A.; Runners-up:—H.K.S. R.A.

CROSS COUNTRY RUNS
British Units Run:—Winners:—Middlesex Regt.; Runners-up:—Royal Scots.
Indian Units Run:—Winners:—H.K.S. R.A.; Runners-up:—2/4th Punjab Regt.

ROWING
Winners of Trophies
The "Brown Cup":—24th Coast Bty. R.A.
The "Chaplains' Cup":—Carrier Platoon, Royal Scots.
The "Ah King Cup":—22nd (F) Coy. Royal Engineers.

SWIMMING
Winners Combined Small Units:—Runners-up:—Middlesex Regt.

WATER POLO
Large Units Knockout Competition:—Combined Small Units.
Small Units Knockout Competition:—Hong Kong Signal Coy.

ATHLETICS

The athletic meeting between Combined Indian Artillery and Combined Middlesex and the Rajputs resulted in a win for Royal Artillery by 38 points to 25.

The finest performance of the afternoon was that of Pte. Lever who won three of the Field events and bettered two of the Command Athletic meeting throws, the Javelin which he threw 133ft. 11½ins. and the Discus which he threw 116ft. 1in. He also won throwing the hammer with 104ft. 3ins.

The first event of the day was that of the Pole vault which the Royal Artillery won with a combined height of 19ft. 6ins. and the Middlesex/Rajputs 19ft.

Royal Artillery won the Hurdles and the last two hurdles Capt. Skipwith, R.A., and Lieut. Pollock, Rajputs, were a picture to watch.

Royal Artillery also won the 2 Miles Relay in the fine time of 8mins. 42secs.

Throwing the discus was won by Middlesex/Rajputs with a combined length of 218ft. 11ins. and the Royal Artillery 193ft. 10ins.

Individual throw; Pte. Lever 116ft. 1in.

This was a better throw than his throw for the Command Athletic meeting when he threw the discus 115ft. 7ins.

Royal Artillery were winners of the 800yds. relay and won by 10 lengths.

Throwing the Javelin was won by the combined Royal Artillery who won with 323' 9" to 318' 2".

Lever was the best individual with 173ft. 11½ins. beating the command throw by 7ft. 6ins.

Royal Artillery won the 1 Mile team race and the Three Miles team race.

They also won the 1 Mile relay, the weight, Long Jump, High Jump.

The Combined Middlesex and Rajputs won the 440yds relay which was the best race of the afternoon.

K.C.C. TENNIS TRIAL

A tennis League trial was held at Kowloon Cricket Club yesterday. There was a fairly large turn-out among those participating, being:—E. C. Fincher, A. Crawford, E. F. Fincher, G. C. Burnett, S. A. Gray, F. R. Zimmern, A. E. P. Guest, R. S. Capell, N. A. E. Mackay, R. T. Broadbridge, A. L. Fisher, N. Bebbington, H. C. Erdley, H. Crabb, D. F. A. Sutton.

JOCKEYS' & OWNERS' RECORDS

Following is how the leading jockeys and owners have fared at the Valley this year:

| JOCKEYS | | | | |
|------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | Un. |
| D. Black | 17 | 6 | 16 | 43 |
| L. B. Chao | 13 | 14 | 6 | 29 |
| H. C. Pih | 10 | 14 | 8 | 42 |
| P. Y. T. Wei | 10 | 7 | 10 | 35 |
| V. V. Needa | 9 | 12 | 3 | 39 |
| H. J. A. Hearne | 6 | 6 | 7 | 39 |
| *C. B. Moller | 6 | 5 | 4 | 13 |
| W. H. S. Davis | 5 | 8 | 5 | 34 |
| *F. Noodt | 5 | 3 | 2 | 21 |
| W. G. Poy | 4 | 4 | 3 | 34 |
| Ip Kuy-ying | 4 | 1 | 2 | 10 |
| S. W. Pan | 4 | 0 | 1 | 20 |
| R. M. Wood | 4 | 0 | 0 | 23 |
| H. S. Chang | 3 | 5 | 5 | 35 |
| *M. M. Sokoloff | 2 | 6 | 4 | 16 |
| D. H. S. Craven | 2 | 4 | 2 | 7 |
| S. C. Liang | 2 | 2 | 4 | 28 |
| B. L. Tao | 2 | 1 | 6 | 43 |
| P. P. Botelho | 2 | 0 | 7 | 39 |
| W. Yul | 2 | 0 | 1 | 2 |
| S. W. Lee | 1 | 3 | 2 | 40 |
| G. Trevorton | 1 | 2 | 2 | 37 |
| A. D. Coppin | 1 | 2 | 1 | 5 |
| S. W. Tang | 1 | 1 | 5 | 15 |
| R. K. C. Chiu | 1 | 1 | 0 | 34 |
| B. A. Proulx | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| T. W. Chattey | 1 | 0 | 2 | 6 |
| *H. J. Holden | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Li Shiu-fai | 1 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| Chiu Ki-fan | 0 | 3 | 1 | 23 |
| Hoo Pak-ming | 0 | 1 | 1 | 37 |
| *G. Pollock | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| J. N. da Silva | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| *D. G. Woo | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| S. L. Sung | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 |
| L. J. A. Fielden | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Y. K. Tu | 0 | 0 | 1 | 8 |
| Tang Man-wa | 0 | 0 | 1 | 14 |
| C. L. Gregory | 0 | 0 | 1 | 17 |
| F. A. Sequeira | 0 | 0 | 1 | 22 |
| M. F. L. Haymes | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| J. Barrow | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| H. C. Chan | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| C. C. Chan | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| G. W. Cooper | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| Lo Kwong-to | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| Chanson Feng | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 |
| Yeung Wing-kwai | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 |
| K. I. Ip | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 |
| Ho Hong-ping | 0 | 0 | 0 | 19 |
| S. L. Yuen | 0 | 0 | 0 | 55 |

* Visiting jockeys for the Annual Race Meeting who have since returned North.

HAIG WHISKY PER "OLO CUSTOM" BY "LEAD"

I have been officially informed that the "Olo Custom" of Messrs. Gande Price and Co., Ltd., of presenting a bottle of John Haig Whisky to a rink scoring a seven in any League match, and a bottle to each player of a rink scoring a possible, i.e. an eight, will be continued this year. This also applies to seven and eight scored in official championship games during the season.

OWNERS

| | 1st | 2nd | 3rd |
|--------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| T. K. L. | 10 | 9 | 7 |
| Cire | 10 | 5 | 4 |
| Lan | 8 | 9 | 8 |
| Eve | 7 | 8 | 2 |
| S. W. Lee | 6 | 4 | 3 |
| Necan | 4 | 2 | 1 |
| Marber | 3 | 7 | 9 |
| Eu Tong-seng | 3 | 4 | 3 |
| Mrs. Chueng Ho-yen | 3 | 1 | 1 |
| Li Po-chun | 3 | 1 | 1 |
| Mrs. A. E. Grasset | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Lee Bros. | 2 | 5 | 1 |
| G. Tinson | 2 | 1 | 4 |
| Choice | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| Sailbad the Sailor | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| V. M. Grayburn | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Golf | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Peññ & Tsai | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Electricity | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Lee Chi-choh | 1 | 3 | 3 |
| E. S. K. | 1 | 3 | 2 |
| C. H. | 1 | 3 | 0 |
| Dynasty | 1 | 3 | 0 |
| Diamonds | 1 | 3 | 0 |
| Kong Bros. | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| C. C. F. | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Billy | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Culture | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Why | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| Gredmaka | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Collene | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Misa Li Po-chun | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| S. K. | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Kla Ora | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Wai Shlu-pak | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Vilaja | 1 | 0 | 5 |
| L. W. S. | 1 | 0 | 3 |
| Toots | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| F. A. Sutton | 1 | 0 | 2 |

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NECAN TOPS STAKES MONEY WINNERS

United Express Brings In \$10,909

Following shows how much the respective winners secured for their stables (names in brackets) at the Valley since January 1—

| | |
|------------------------------------|--------|
| United Express (Necan) | 10,909 |
| Distant View (Lan) | 10,000 |
| Oolong (T.K.L.) | 7,681 |
| Endeavour (Mrs. Chuong Ho-yen) | 5,274 |
| Starlight (Cire) | 5,000 |
| Sapper (Mrs. A. E. Grasett) | 5,500 |
| Velvetlight (Cire) | 4,866 |
| Fleetwing (Eu Tong-sen) | 4,200 |
| Confusion Bay (T.K.L.) | 3,850 |
| Happy Returns (Lee Chi-choh) | 3,700 |
| Moonlight (Cire) | 3,300 |
| World Fair View (Lan) | 3,300 |
| Mountain View (Lan) | 3,150 |
| Oracle (T.K.L.) | 3,100 |
| Santa Anita (C.C.F.) | 3,000 |
| Maineail (Sailbad the Sinner) | 3,000 |
| Jus Gentium (S. W. Lee) | 2,987 |
| A Happy Time Li (Po-chun) | 2,950 |
| Viceroy (Vilaja monds) | 2,850 |
| Colooma (Gredmaka) | 2,750 |
| A Surprising Time (Toots) | 2,600 |
| Black Seal (C.H.) | 2,500 |
| Sam's Choice (Collene) | 2,500 |
| King's Flight (Dynasty) | 2,500 |
| Prairie View (Lan) | 2,450 |
| Palber (Marber) | 2,300 |
| Charlesber (Marber 1) | 2,300 |
| First Love (P. & L.) | 2,250 |
| March Warbler (Pearstur) | 2,150 |
| Fresh Air (S.K.) | 2,100 |
| Baffin Bay (S. W. Lee) | 2,100 |
| Lex Forl (Lee Bros.) | 2,000 |
| Navylight (Cire) | 2,000 |
| Dutch Treat (Hollandia) | 2,000 |
| Corair (L.W.S.) | 1,900 |
| Bona Vacantia (Culture) | 1,900 |
| Bugle (C. H. Chan) | 1,900 |
| Blue Field (S. W. Lee) | 1,850 |
| Manhattan (Shields & Stanton) | 1,800 |
| National Courage (Why) | 1,800 |
| A Luxurious Time (Miss Li Po-chun) | 1,750 |
| Gloaming (Eu Tong-sen) | 1,750 |
| Connecber (Marber 1) | 1,650 |
| Nemine Poenae (Lee Bros.) | 1,600 |
| Long-on (G. Tinson) | 1,600 |
| O Lan (T.K.L.) | 1,550 |
| Vanguard (Choice) | 1,550 |
| Amulet Star (C.W.K.) | 1,500 |
| National Welfare (Yeung Bros.) | 1,500 |
| Bendemeer (P. M. Hoo) | 1,500 |
| Eve of Peace (Eve) | 1,500 |
| Maple Leaf (Kwok Yee-chun) | 1,500 |
| Brutus (G. Treverton) | 1,500 |
| Optima Fide (S.W.) | 1,500 |
| Never-Never (Mrs. B. Hall) | 1,500 |
| Springhurst (Billy) | 1,500 |
| Tien Tien (Wai Shiu-pak) | 1,500 |
| Newborn Star (C.N.K.) | 1,400 |
| Many Thanks (Kia Ora) | 1,400 |
| Man-O-War (Penn & Teol) | 1,400 |
| Australian Diamond (Dia- | |
| Catterick Bridge (Electricity) | 1,325 |
| Avon (V. M. Grayburn) | 1,300 |
| Wonderful Scheme (Kong Bros.) | 1,300 |
| So Nice (F. A. Sutton) | 1,250 |
| The Nineteenth Hole (Golf) | 1,250 |
| Sydney Lady (Lucky) | 1,200 |
| Galveston Bay (T.K.L.) | 1,200 |
| Vanity Fair (Choice) | 1,100 |
| Vixen Tor (G. Tinson) | 1,100 |
| Cheerful Star (E.S.K.) | 1,075 |
| Eve of Harvest (Eve) | 1,075 |
| Venus Bay (T.K.L.) | 1,050 |
| Wayworth (Wayfoong) | 1,000 |
| Fair Chance (Weetoo) | 1,000 |
| Angel of Glory (L. & Y.) | 1,000 |
| Racylight (Cire) | 1,000 |
| Catterick Bridge (C. L. Gregory) | 1,000 |
| Royal Sovereign (Grake) | 1,000 |
| Haccossay (T. & E.) | 1,000 |
| Shuttlecock (S. T. Williamson) | 1,000 |
| Centre Court (T.K.L.) | 1,000 |
| The Koala Bear (Tester & Abraham) | 1,000 |
| Anzac Day (Chau & Chau) | 1,000 |
| Night Express (Necan) | 1,000 |
| Hole-In-One (Golf) | 1,000 |
| Joan (Chanol) | 1,000 |
| Eve of Dancing (Eve) | 950 |
| Roofly (Eilandee) | 950 |
| Johnber (Marber) | 900 |
| Viz-Major (Lee Bros.) | 900 |
| Lovelylight (Cire) | 883 |
| Gladiator (Eve) | 850 |
| Twinkling Star (E.S.K.) | 800 |
| Royal Sovereign (G. A. Harriman) | 800 |
| Contact (Eilandee) | 800 |
| Conquering Time (Li Po-chun) | 750 |
| Hillsboro Bay (T.K.L.) | 750 |
| A Rosy Time (Miss Li Po-chun) | 750 |
| Eve of Grandeur (Eve) | 750 |
| Misty View (Lan) | 750 |
| Odeon (T.K.L.) | 750 |
| Shuttlecock (Monestoy) | 750 |
| Bendigo (Y. L.) | 750 |
| Far-View (Lan) | 700 |
| Galaxy (Chau K.) | 700 |
| Iron Beauty (Iron) | 700 |
| Hugher (Marber 1) | 700 |
| Eve of Hunting (Eve) | 700 |
| Eve of Folly (Eve) | 650 |
| Thirty-Six (Numerals) | 650 |

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| Amber II (Highlight) | 600 |
| Harmony Star (S. W. Lee) | 600 |
| Snow White (Mok Kon-sang) | 600 |
| King Kong (Cocoa) | 600 |
| Portrush (H. Leigh) | 600 |
| King's Welcome (Dynasty) | 600 |
| Dashing Beauty (Cal) | 600 |
| Ratio Decidendi (Lee Bros.) | 600 |
| Graceful View (Lan) | 600 |
| Spicylight (Cire) | 550 |
| Iron Belle (Iron) | 550 |
| Gay Fox (Eu Tung-sen) | 550 |
| Eve of Reason (Eve) | 525 |
| Eve of Deception (Eve) | 500 |
| Corvette (Cladsheba) | 500 |
| Pumpnickel (T.L.) | 500 |
| Lancashire Lass (Necan) | 500 |
| Battle (New Line) | 500 |
| Bendigo (Mrs. J. H. Taggart) | 500 |
| Locus Standi (Lee Bros.) | 400 |
| Royal Wedding Eve (W. T. Stanton) | 400 |
| Devonian (Lady Northcote) | 350 |
| Amusement Tax (Taxpayer) | 350 |
| Vitamin M (S.S.) | 300 |
| Raconteur (Manetta) | 300 |
| Casino (Bridge) | 300 |
| Hugher (Marber) | 300 |
| Lovely Star (Kong Bros.) | 300 |
| Seventy-Six (Numerals) | 300 |
| Potentate (Eu Tong-sen) | 300 |
| Rose Jane (Eu Tong-sen) | 300 |
| Jennifer (Quartermaster) | 300 |
| Tobaccochip (Sikit) | 300 |
| Musketeer (Li Chi Choh) | 300 |
| Rose Emily (Eu Tong Sen) | 300 |
| Triumphant Day (Chau Bros.) | 300 |
| Strathalbyn (Macgregor) | 300 |
| Gold Rod | 300 |
| Sydney Diamond (Diamonds) | 300 |
| Hopeful Star (Kong Bros.) | 300 |
| National Reform (Why) | 300 |
| Spring Shine (T. W. Lee) | 300 |
| Riverside (Peter and Paul) | 300 |
| Burford (Quartermaster) | 261 |
| Seal River (Gredmaka) | 250 |
| Brown Derby (Cocoa) | 250 |
| A Good Time (I.M.M.F.) | 250 |
| Colorado Star (Eilandee) | 250 |
| Lovely View (Lan) | 450 |
| Daylight (Cire, Jnr.) | 250 |
| Rowan (Ash) | 250 |
| West Lake (S. W. Lee) | 250 |
| Cockleroi (Necan) | 250 |
| Criffel (John Peel) | 400 |
| Surprise Again (Sewell) | 400 |
| Lilliber (Marber) | 350 |
| Emergency Unit (H. Leigh) | 350 |
| Bredon (Tinson) | 300 |
| Jobber (Marber) | 300 |
| Double Fincase | 300 |
| Sea Jay (S. T. Williamson) | 300 |
| Ozark (T.K.L.) | 300 |
| Odin (T.K.L.) | 300 |
| Dignitas (T. and W.) | 300 |
| Crack Shot (S. W. Lee) | 300 |
| Sunlight View (Lan) | 300 |
| Celtic Star (S.L.K.) | 300 |
| Expansion Time (Li Po-chun) | 300 |

JOCKEY'S AND OWNERS' RECORDS

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|--------------------|-----|-----|---|
| H. Leigh | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| P. & L. | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Pearstur | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Shields & Stanton | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| S. T. Williamson | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Numerals | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Y. L. | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Highlight | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Chan K. | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| C. W. K. | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Cal | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Yeung Bros. | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Weetoo | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Hollandia | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| P. M. Hoo | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| C. L. Gregory | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Kwok Yee-chun | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Treverton | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Mrs. B. Hall | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| S. W. | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Chanol | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Wayfoong | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Grake | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| L. & Y. | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Monestoy | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Eilandee | 0 | 5 | 1 |
| Iron | 0 | 2 | 3 |
| C. H. Chan | 0 | 2 | 3 |
| Lucky | 0 | 2 | 1 |
| Chau & Chau | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| C. N. K. | 0 | 1 | 3 |
| Cocoa | 0 | 1 | 5 |
| Tester & Abraham | 0 | 1 | 2 |
| T. & E. | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Quartermaster | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| G. A. Harriman | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Mok Kon-sang | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Cire, Jnr. | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Lady Northcote | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| New Line | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Li Shiu-fai | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| T. W. Lee | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Cladsheba | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Peter & Paul | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| T. L. | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| W. T. Stanton | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| I. L. | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| S. S. | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Manetta | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Solemnly | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| I. M. M. F. | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Ash | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Mrs. J. T. Taggart | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| John Peel | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| S. L. K. | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Chan Bros. | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| L. T. F. | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| T. & W. | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Taxpayer | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Sikit | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| J. F. MacGregor | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| G. W. Sewell | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 121 | 117 | 120 | |

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FORMIDABLY HEAVY R.A.F. RAID ON HAMBURG

Great Fire Roars Up Altogether Beyond Control

R.A.F. STRAFING IN LIBYA

Attacks on enemy-occupied aerodromes and other military objectives in Iraq, and bombing of similar targets in other theatres of the Middle East, were reported in an R.A.F. Middle East communique yesterday.

The communique stated Cyrenaica Derna aerodrome, upon which a considerable number of enemy aircraft were dispersed, was bombed by aircraft of the R.A.F. both during the night of May 9/10 and on Saturday.

At Jedabaya some large Junkers troop-carrying aircraft were bombed and damaged.

Our fighters maintained active patrols and one Messerschmidt 109 was destroyed on Gageald aerodrome as it was beginning to take off. A large number of enemy aircraft were on the aerodrome. These were machine-gunned by our fighters.

Iraq: Our aircraft continue to attack rebel-occupied aerodromes and other military objectives.

Barracks, aerodrome buildings and a transport park had more than 12 direct hits on them.

Abyssinia: Both fighter and bomber aircraft of the South African Air Force continued to support the troops in rounding

German Night Fighters Shot Down

THE ATTACK ON HAMBURG ON SATURDAY NIGHT WAS AS EFFECTIVE AS IT WAS FIERCE, STATES THE AIR MINISTRY NEWS SERVICE, AND BOMBER PILOTS REPORT DAMAGE THROUGHOUT THE CITY.

Under a clear sky and full moon, which showed up the ground in detail, the R.A.F. swept through a barrage to drop load after heavy load of high explosives and incendiaries.

Once again the industrial quarters and the whole spread of the docks were hammered and left blazing.

UNDER A STORM OF INCENDIARIES MORE AND MORE FIRES CAME TO LIFE ELSEWHERE IN THE CITY.

Industrial plant and factories were easy targets for the R.A.F. bomb-aimers, and sticks of explosives fell across goods yards and railway tracks and yet more fires were added to the destruction in the submarine building yards.

Out Of Control

In one district a great fire roared up, one of many which pilots declared appeared altogether beyond control.

Up the remains of the Italian East African army.

From all operations under review two aircraft are missing. Reuter.

IT WAS NOT ONLY A NIGHT OF FORMIDABLE BOMBING BUT ALSO OF MARKED SUCCESS AGAINST THE MANY FIGHTERS WHICH THE ENEMY PUT UP TO HELP THE GROUND DEFENCES.

Four enemy aircraft are known to have been destroyed and at least two severely damaged by British bombers. Reuter.

"Amazing Sight"

The results of some of our bombs have been described by crews that carried them.

"The night was so clear that when one of our heavy bombs left the aircraft I could see it going down for 1,000 feet, said a bomb aimer.

"Then came the most amazing sight I have ever seen. The flash of the burst was like a great flaming red ball half a mile across.

"EVEN AT THE HEIGHT WE WERE FLYING WE FELT THE KICK FROM BLAST.

"EVERYTHING INSIDE THE BALL SEEMED TO BE BURNING AND CRUMBLING AND THE DOCKS ALL AROUND AS WELL AS THE SKY WERE LIT UP.

"A large block of buildings was caught in the flames and a few minutes later there was a shattering explosion."

When another heavy bomb whizzed down the crew reported "All flak and searchlights in wide radius immediately stopped."

Meanwhile, under a storm of incendiaries, more and more fires came to life elsewhere in the city.

Easy Targets

Industrial plants and factories, their chimneys standing up like black ninepins against the moonlit waterways, were easy targets for our bombs aimers.

A stick of high explosives fell across a goods yards and railway tracks and yet more fires added to the destruction in the submarine building yards.

In one district a great fire roared up, one of many which our pilots declared appeared to be altogether beyond control.

First Trip

One bomber, captained by a New Zealander, who was making his first raid on Germany, was attacked by a Junkers 88 and three Messerschmidts.

After a brief engagement two of the Messerschmidts were driven off and a third was shot down in flames.

As the crew watched it falling the Junkers 88 came in and began a persistent attack which only ended when the enemy went down in flames.

Berlin Visitors

On the way back from Berlin another of our bombers was engaged by two ME110's firing cannon and machine-guns from a range of 400 yards.

The bomber dived and for a moment shook off the enemy. The rear gunner held his fire until the enemy closed in again and then let them have it.

One of the Messerschmidts crashed and the other, shooting wide, very soon gave up the fight. British Wireless.

STOP PRESS

An unsuccessful attempt was made shortly afternoon to-day on the life of Mr. J. F. Fu, general manager of the Chung Hwai Bank. One of his bodyguards was wounded. The gunman fired five shots and escaped. J. F. Fu is a son of the late Mayor Fu Siao-chu, who was murdered last year. Reuter.

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